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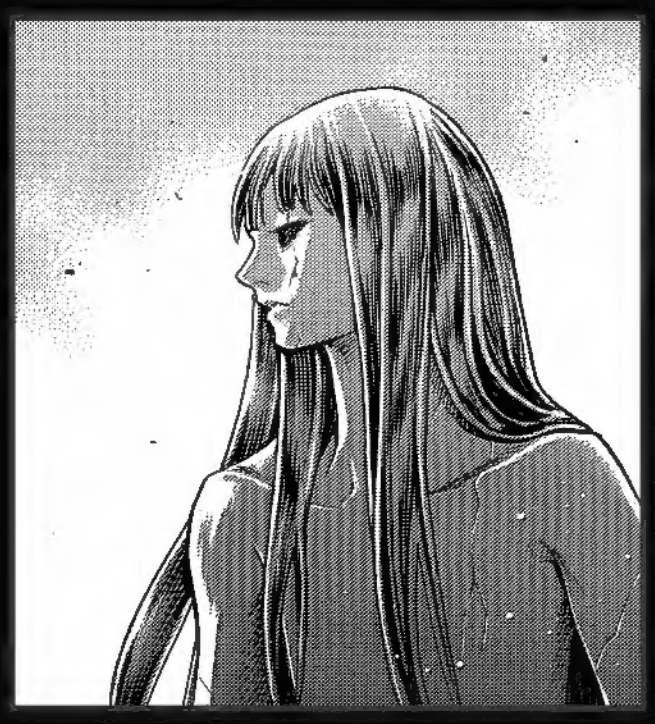

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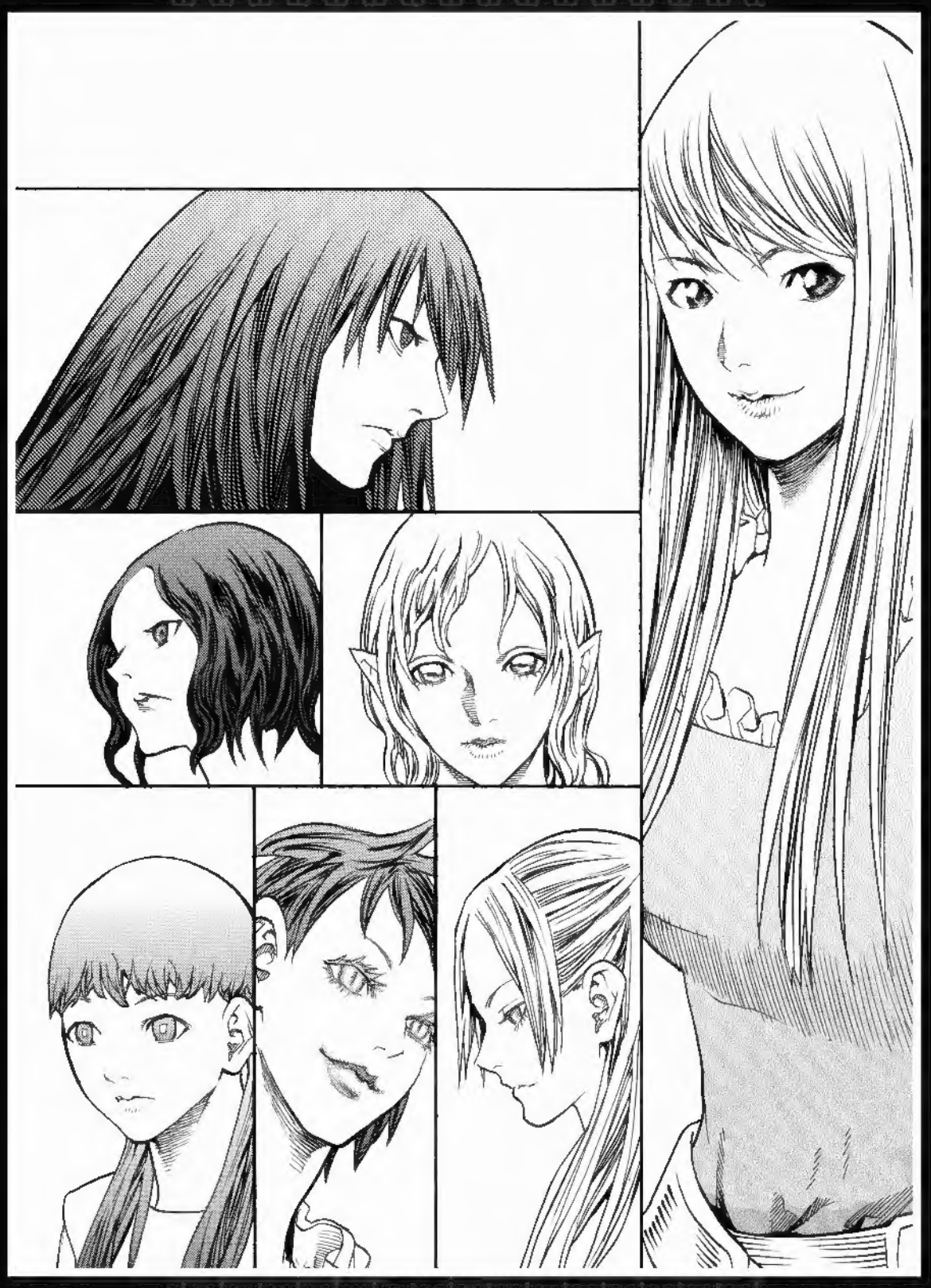

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Army of the Underworld

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The Story Thus Far
Creatures known as Yoma have long preyed on humans, who were once powerless against their predators. But now mankind has developed female warriors who are half human and half monster, with silver eyes that can see the monsters' true form. These warriors came to be called Claymores after the immense broadswords that they carried.
Warriors who wiped out the Organization head for the Holy City with Raki. There, Raki saves Clare and is reunited with her. However, Priscilla and an Abyssal One are approaching. The situation is urgent, and Awakened Beings are gathering...

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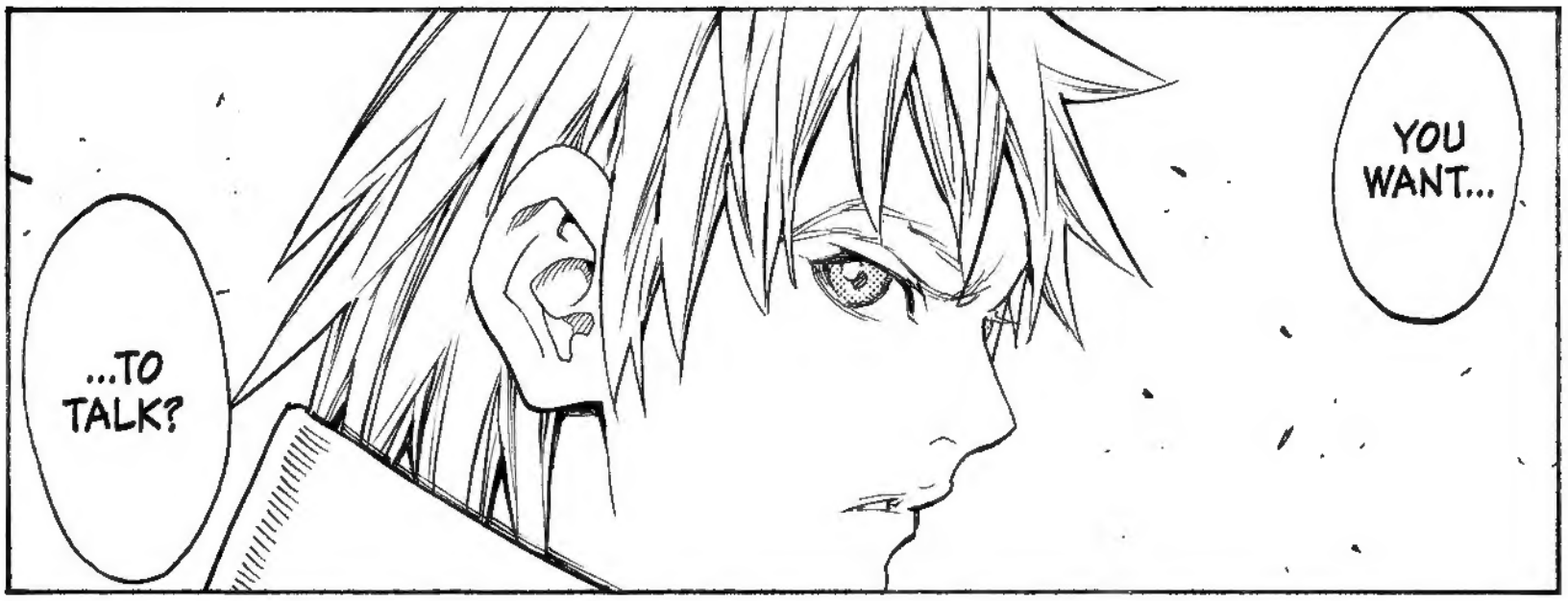

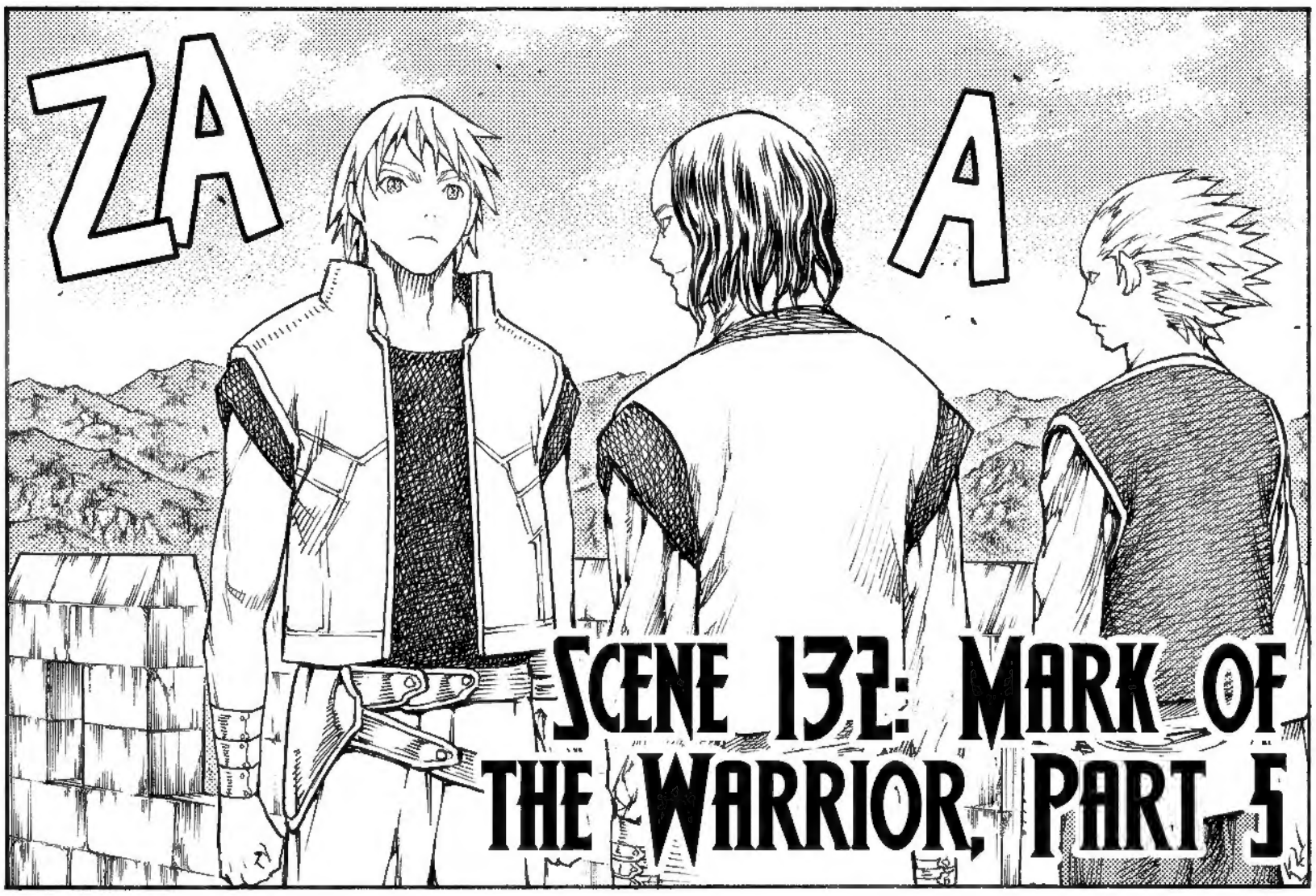

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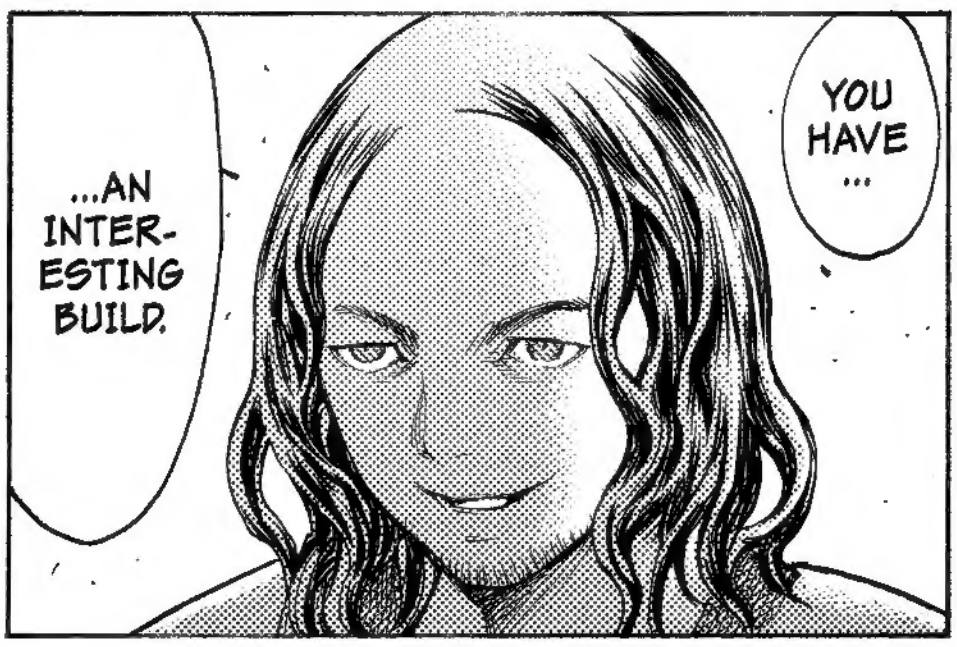


...SO MAYBE...

...YOU DEVELOPED THOSE MUSCLES BY CARRYING THAT BIG SWORD AND FIGHTING LIKE US.

YOU'RE JUST A HUMAN WITHOUT ANY YOMA FLESH AND BLOOD...

WHO TAUGHT YOU?

THAT STYLE OF SWORDPLAY ISN'T FOR FIGHTING HUMANS.

WHICH REMINDS ME...

I WANT TO ASK *YOU* SOMETHING.

...I HEARD THAT SUCH MEN DID EXIST FOR A VERY SHORT TIME.

BACK IN THE DAYS OF MALE WARRIORS ...

!

I LIVED WITH HIM UNTIL A FEW YEARS AGO.

THE NAME OF MY SWORD-MASTER WAS ISLEY.

DID YOU SAY...

...ISLEY?

WHAT ...?

!!

SO WHILE I OWE HIM MY LIFE, I KNOW NOTHING ABOUT HIM.

THEN, AFTER A WHILE, HE DROVE AWAY ME AND ONE OTHER...

BUT AFTER A FEW YEARS...

...I BECAME AWARE THAT HE WASN'T.

HE FOUND ME UP NORTH. AT FIRST I THOUGHT HE WAS HUMAN.

I DIDN'T EXPECT TO HEAR *THAT* NAME...

!

ISLEY, HUH?

HEH HEH HEH...

HE WAS THE STRONGEST MAN OF HIS TIME.

ISLEY WAS NUMBER I IN THE FIRST GENERATION OF WARRIORS.

ALL THOSE WARRIORS YOU'RE INVOLVED WITH COULDN'T BEAT HIM.

HE WAS STRONG.

... NUMBER I?

THE FIRST GENER-ATION ...

FOR THAT REASON, NO ONE IN THE AGE OF WARRIORS SAW HIS TRUE STRENGTH.

HIS STRENGTH WAS BOTTOM-LESS.

EVEN THE NUMBER 2 BACK THEN WAS FAR INFERIOR IN SKILL.

AWAK-EN...

I GUESS THERE WAS NO NEED.

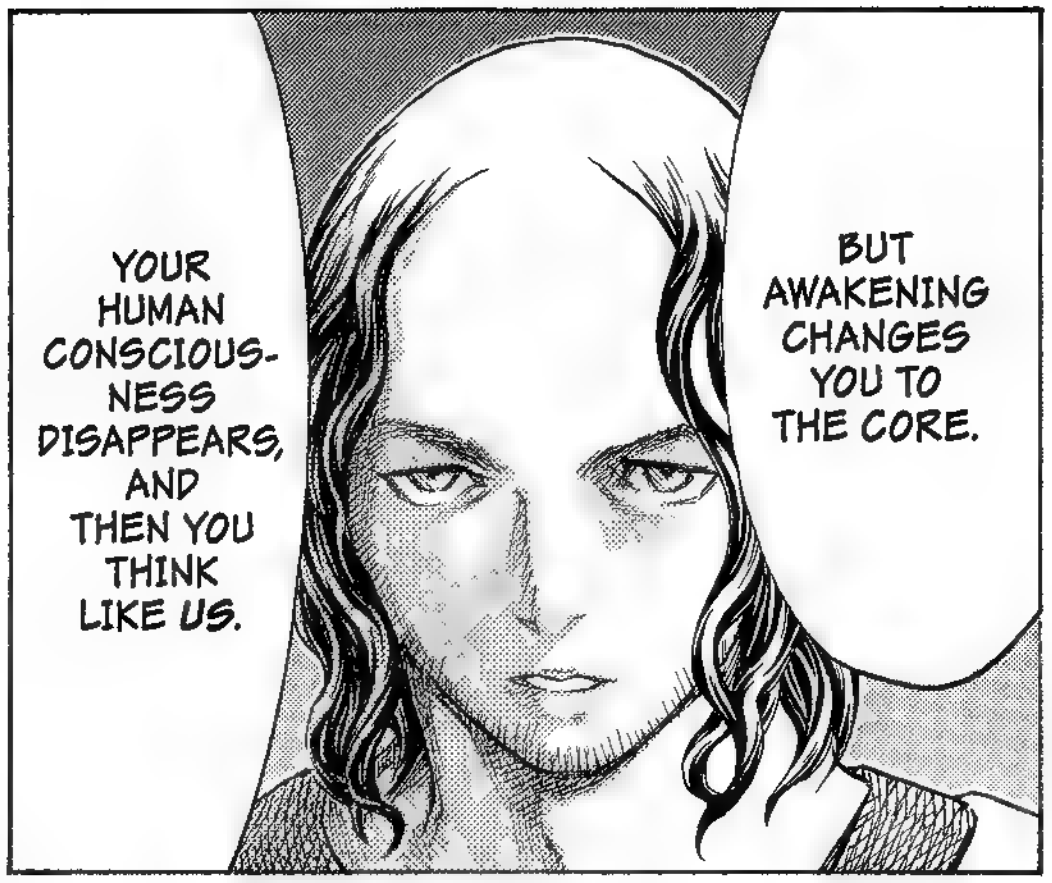
HE WAS THE LAST OF THE SINGLE DIGITS TO AWAKEN.

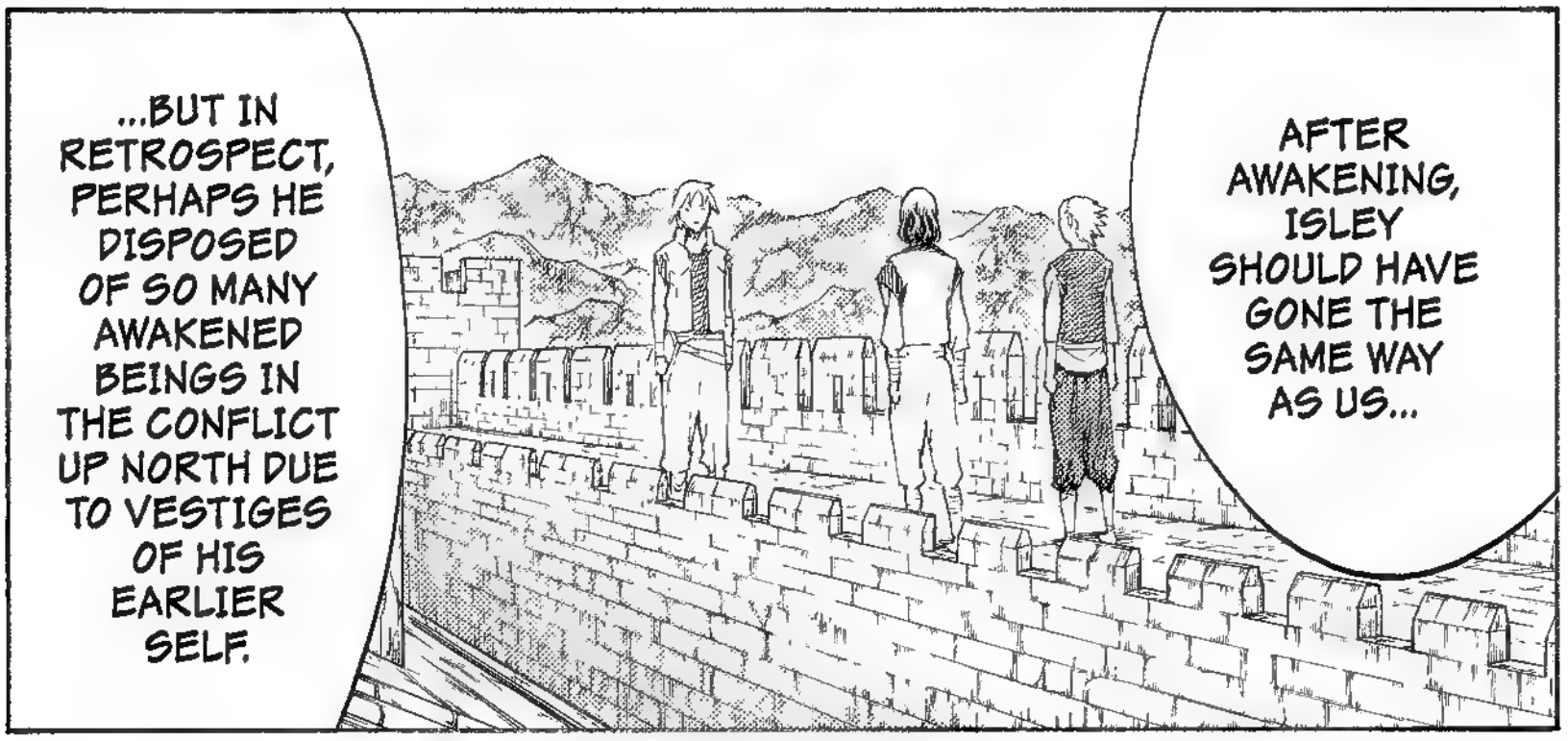
DESPITE HIS APPEAR-ANCE, HE WAS A RESPON-SIBLE MAN.

I SUPPOSE HE INTENDED TO SUBDUE US WHEN WE AWAKENED.

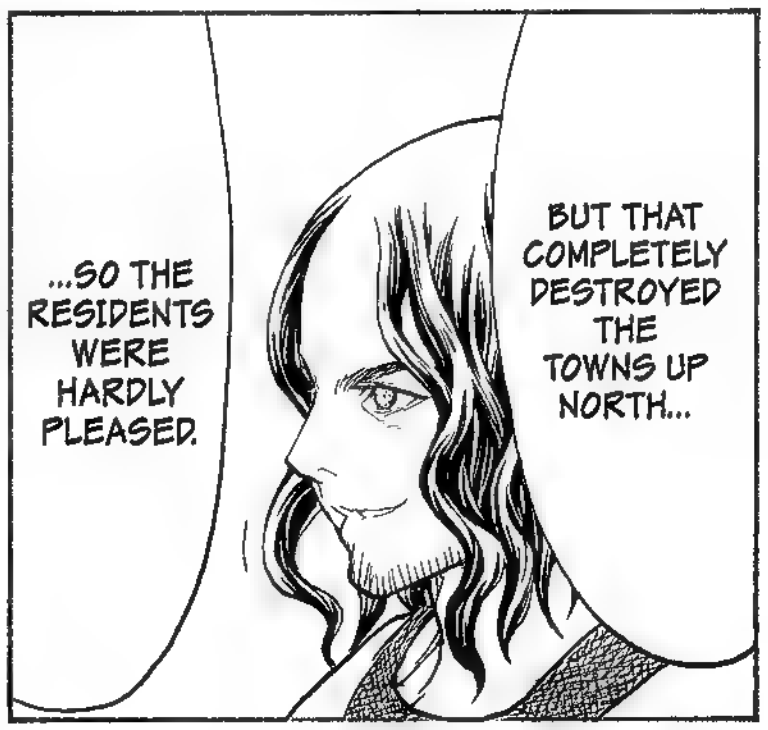
...BUT HE *CHOSE* TO DO IT.

WE DO IT WHEN WE MUST FOR SOME REASON...


YOUR HUMAN CONSCIOUS-NESS DISAPPEARS, AND THEN YOU THINK LIKE US.
BUT AWAKENING CHANGES YOU TO THE CORE.


...BUT IN RETROSPECT, PERHAPS HE DISPOSED OF SO MANY AWAKENED BEINGS IN THE CONFLICT UP NORTH DUE TO VESTIGES OF HIS EARLIER SELF.
AFTER AWAKENING, ISLEY SHOULD HAVE GONE THE SAME WAY AS US...

NOW WE'RE THE ONLY TWO MALE WARRIORS LEFT FROM THAT TIME.
RECENTLY, ISLEY FELL TO THE ORGANI-ZATION'S WEAPONS.


...SO THE RESIDENTS WERE HARDLY PLEASED.
BUT THAT COMPLETELY DESTROYED THE TOWNS UP NORTH...

READ THIS WAY

DID YOU AL-READY KNOW?

YOU AREN'T SUR-PRISED.

I THOUGHT PERHAPS HE HAD SENSED HIS DEATH.

...BUT WHEN WE PARTED, HE LOOKED CORNERED.

NO...

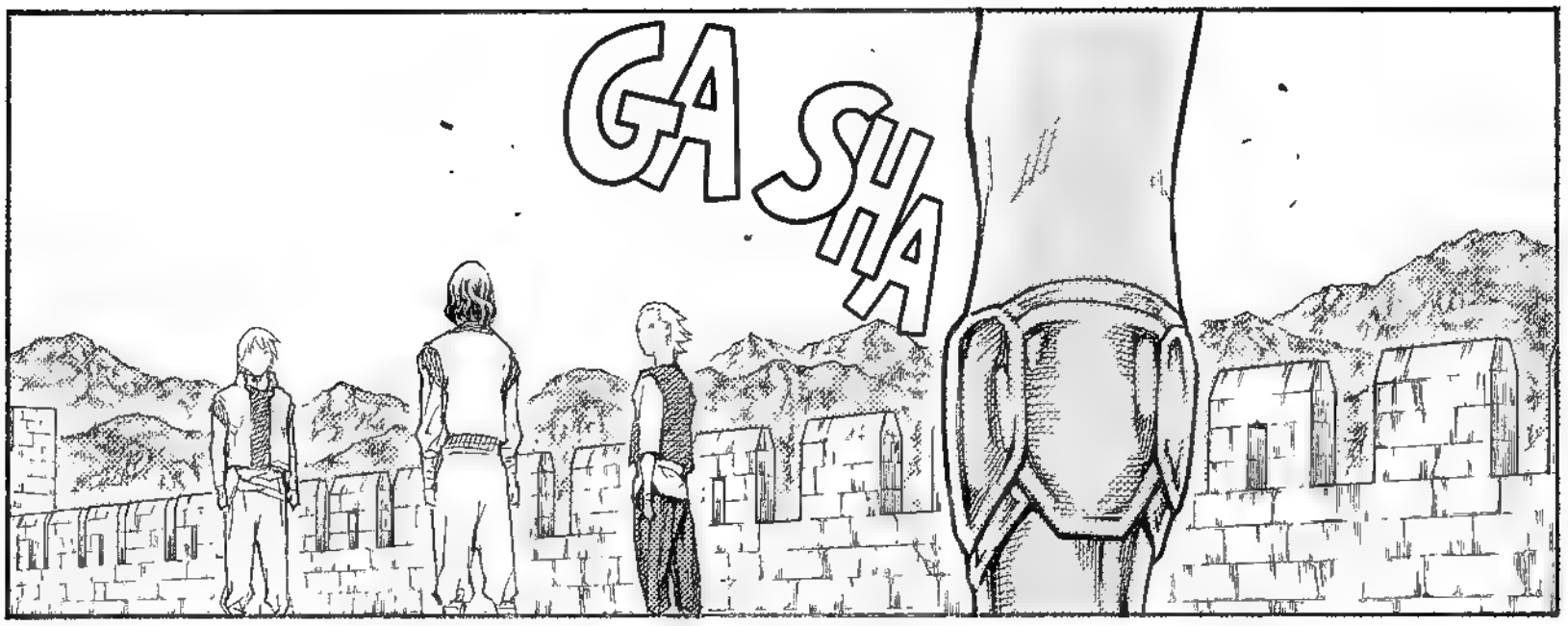
HEH.

...SO HE WOULDN'T INVOLVE US IN SOMETHING.

MAYBE HE DROVE US AWAY...

HE WAS JUST PLAYING AT HAVING A FAMILY.

I DOUBT HE COULD THINK THAT WAY AFTER AWAKENING.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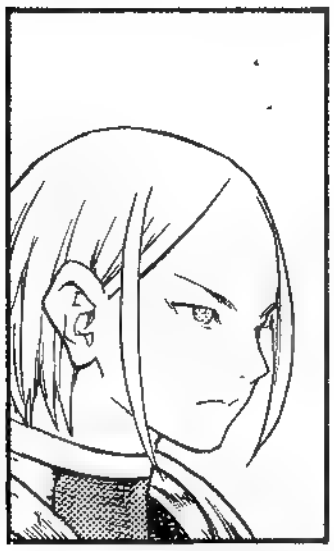

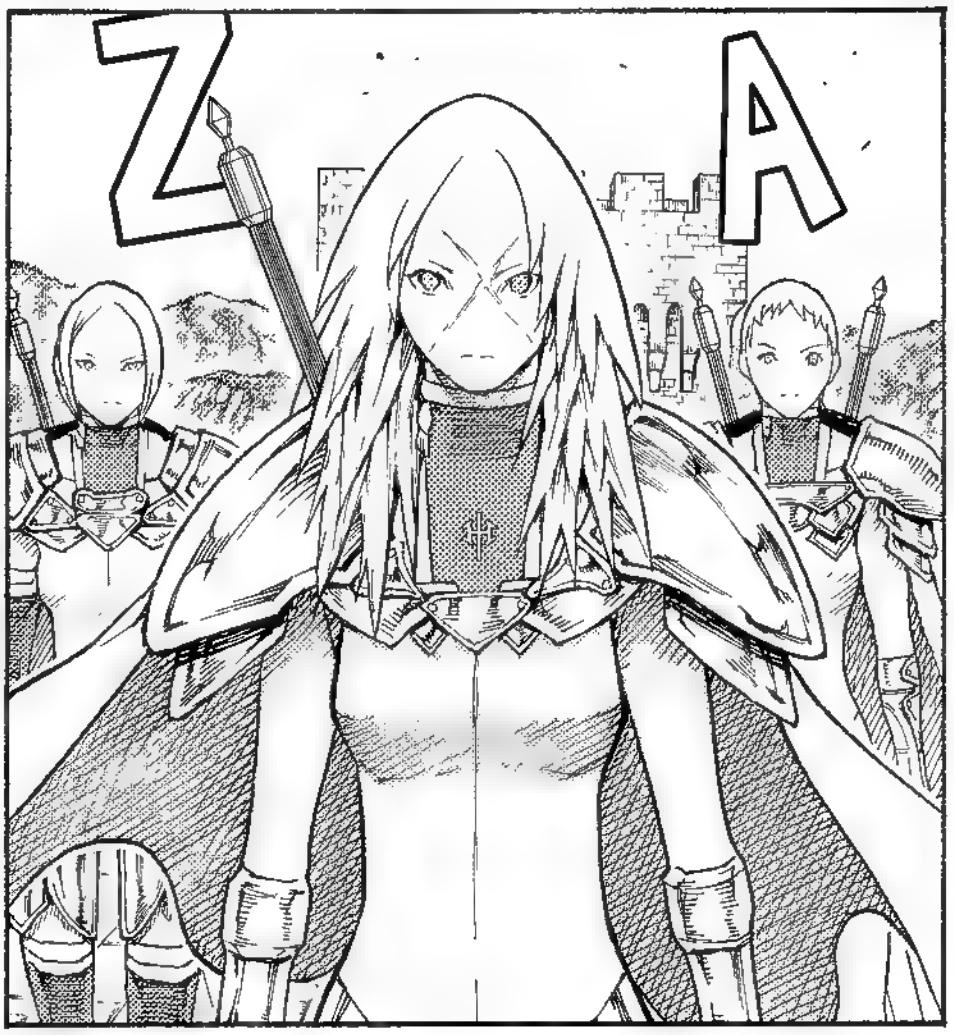
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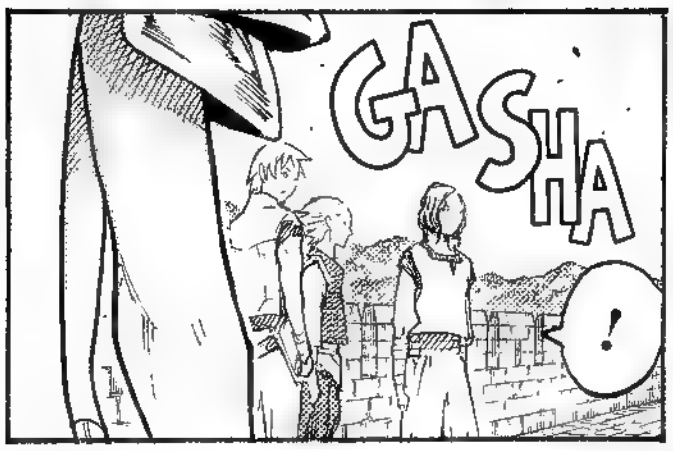
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AND WE DIDN'T GET TO ASK ANYTHING.
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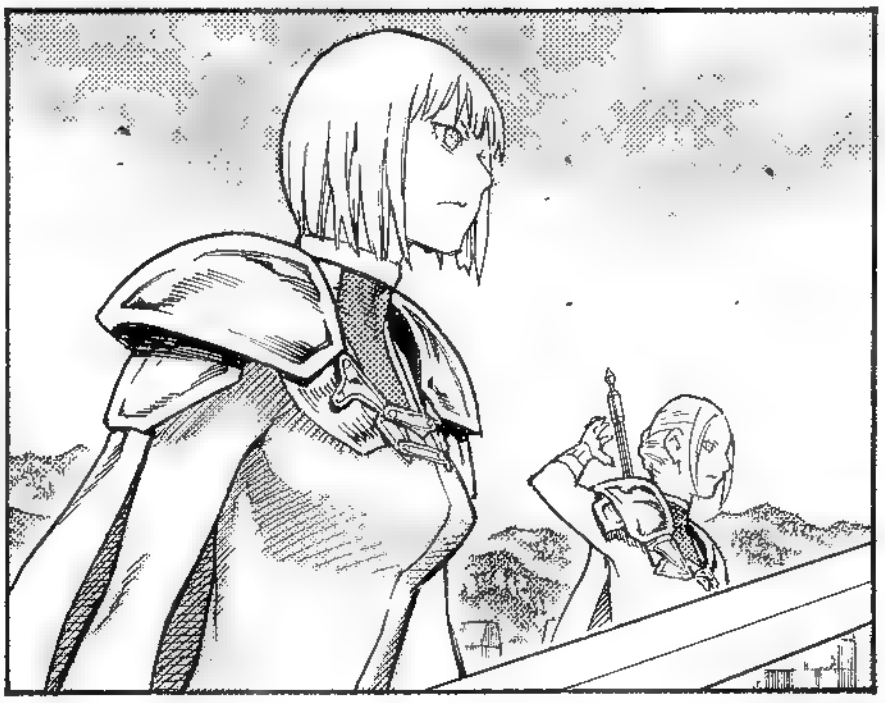

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YOU KNOW THAT MONSTER WHO SURPASSES ...

...AN ABYSSAL ONE?

I'LL CUT TO THE CHASE.

...IT HAD THE STRENGTH TO ANNIHILATE EVERYONE THERE...

...BUT CAME FOR US INSTEAD.

WHILE OUR STRENGTH WAS NECESSARY WHEN IT RETURNED...

...AS AN ANSWER?

CAN I TAKE YOUR SILENCE ...

DOES THAT MEAN IT RECOGNIZED YOUR PRESENCE AS NEITHER WARRIOR NOR WOMAN?

I JUST CAN'T UNDER-STAND THAT.

WHY DID YOU COME HERE?

YOU TWO WERE ABLE TO EXIT THE BATTLE WITHOUT A SCRATCH.

GA

SHA

...AND WE'LL ATTACK WITH ALL OUR MIGHT.

GIVE THE WRONG ANSWER ...

...BUT NINE OF US, LESS THAN HALF OUR NUMBER, WERE ABLE TO DODGE THE ATTACKS OF THE MONSTER GREATER THAN AN ABYSSAL ONE AND REMAIN UNHARMED.

I THINK YOU ALREADY KNOW...

READ THIS WAY

SO THEY'RE HUNGRY.

THEY HAVE MOVED TO A DISTANCE TO OBSERVE.

I MERELY CAME TO TELL YOU TO BE CAREFUL.

WE INTEND TO LEAVE WITHOUT INTERFER-ING.

AFTER YOU LEAVE ...

...AND HOLD YOUR BREATH AS YOU LIVE IN SECRECY?

...WILL YOU ESCAPE THE EYES OF THE MONSTER SURPASSING AN ABYSSAL ONE...

...SCATTERED BY ONE FAR MORE POWERFUL THAN YOU.

IT WOULD BE A PITIFUL LIFE TO FEED ON THE SCRAPS OF FLESH...

BIKI

BIKI

SHUT YOUR MOUTH ...

BIKI

...YOU BRATS!

READ THIS WAY

SO...

...WHAT ARE YOU TRAITOROUS LADIES...

...TRYING TO SAY?

DON'T BOTHER, LARS.

SHE'S JUST PROVOK-ING YOU.

WE HAVE DECIDED FOR OURSELVES ...

...THAT WE INTEND TO FIGHT THE BEING WHO SURPASSES AN ABYSSAL ONE.

THAT MAY LOOK RECKLESS TO YOU...

...BUT IF DEFEATING IT IS A POSSIBILITY, YOU WOULD WANT TO, RIGHT?

IF IT'S WORTHLESS, I'LL PERFORM LAST RITES FOR YOU MYSELF, RIGHT HERE AND NOW.

ALL RIGHT. FOR REFERENCE, TELL ME ABOUT THIS *POSSIBILITY.*

GISHI

BIRI

BIRI

BIRI

BIRI

UNGH ...

!

BIRI

BIRI

READ THIS WAY

...THE APPROACHING ABYSSAL ONE.

FIRST, WE HAVE TO AROUSE ...

IT'S PROBABLY COMING HERE TO BE ABSORBED.

IT IS CURRENTLY BEING CONTROLLED BY PRISCILLA, THE BEING MORE POWERFUL THAN AN ABYSSAL ONE.

...BECAUSE A MONSTER BEYOND OUR REACH WOULD REACH EVEN GREATER POWER.

THEN THERE WOULD BE NOTHING FOR US TO DO...

HER OVER-WHELMING POWER WOULD SURELY OUTSTRIP THE UNCONSCIOUS LIFE-FORM'S BY FAR.

IF SO, THE BATTLE BETWEEN THOSE TWO WILL BE OVER IN AN INSTANT.

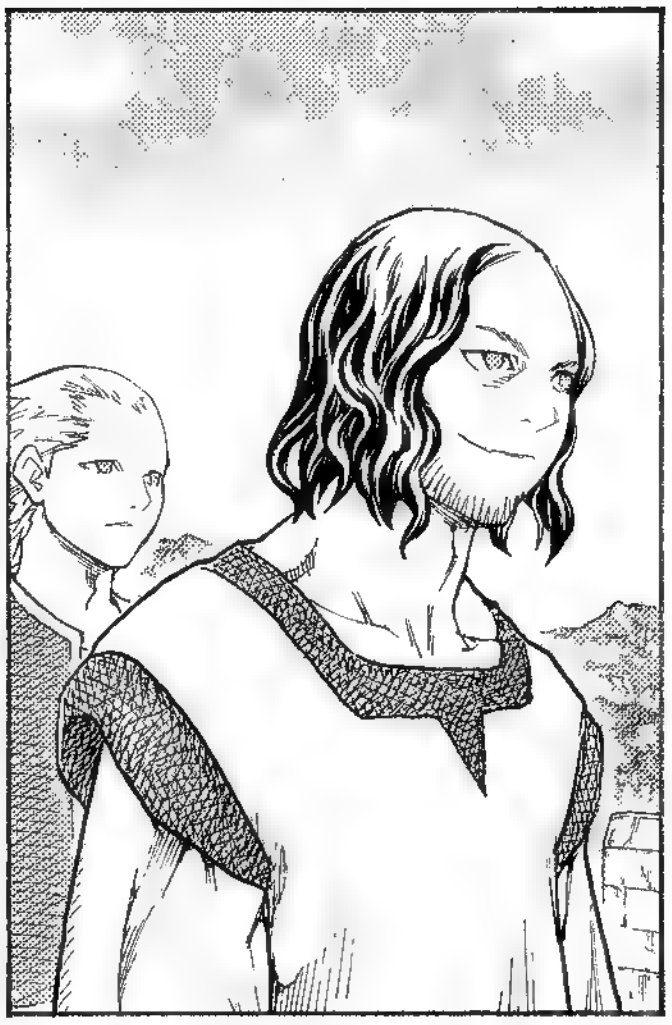
...WE WANT TO PREVENT THAT.

SO FIRST...

AND THEN OUR STRENGTH ...

...COMBINED WITH ANOTHER GREAT STRENGTH WOULD IMPROVE OUR CHANCES OF DEFEATING HER.

IF IT GOES WELL, THE AWAKENED ABYSSAL ONE WILL CLASH WITH PRISCILLA.



...THAT'S OF NO WORTH TO YOU.

I DON'T THINK...

BUT IT'S RIDICULOUS.

DO YOU REALLY THINK IT WILL GO WELL?

YOU'RE RIGHT. IT ISN'T WORTH-LESS.

HEH HEH HEH ...

READ THIS WAY

AND THAT POSSI-BILITY ...

...CAN ONLY...

...BE ACHIEVED NOW, AND BY US.

I MERELY SAID IT WAS *POSSIBLE.*

IF ALL GOES WELL, THE POSSIBILITY OF DEFEATING HER ISN'T ZERO.

WELL, THEN...

I CAN SEE HOW YOU UNITED ALL THE WARRIORS AND DEFEATED THE ORGANI-ZATION.

YOU'RE PERSUA-SIVE.

...
DEPENDS ON YOUR SUCCESS.

AFTER THAT, WHETHER WE GET IN THE MOOD...

YOU MUST MAKE THE FIRST MOVE ANYWAY.

...I'LL PRESENT YOUR IDEA TO THE OTHERS.

I GUESS YOU SHARE THEIR FATE.

GASHI

BYE NOW.

...YOU COULD BECOME THE STRONGEST BLADE HERE.

WITH THE RIGHT TIMING ...

READ THIS WAY

ZAN

...BLADE HERE?

THE STRONG-EST...

WHAT WERE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

ARE YOU HURT?

...AND ASKED WHO I WAS.

THEY THOUGHT IT WAS STRANGE FOR A MAN LIKE ME TO BE WITH WARRIORS...

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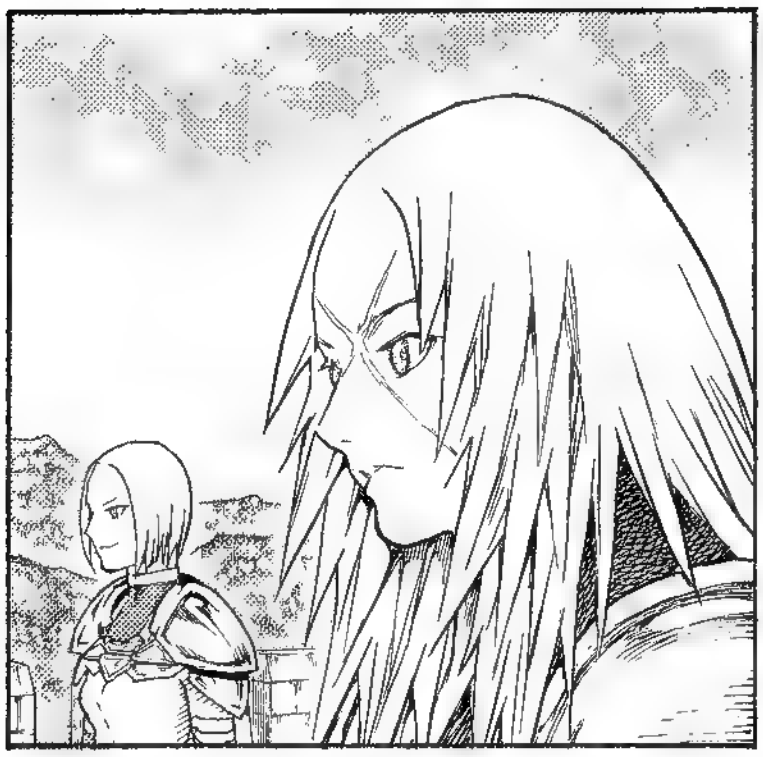
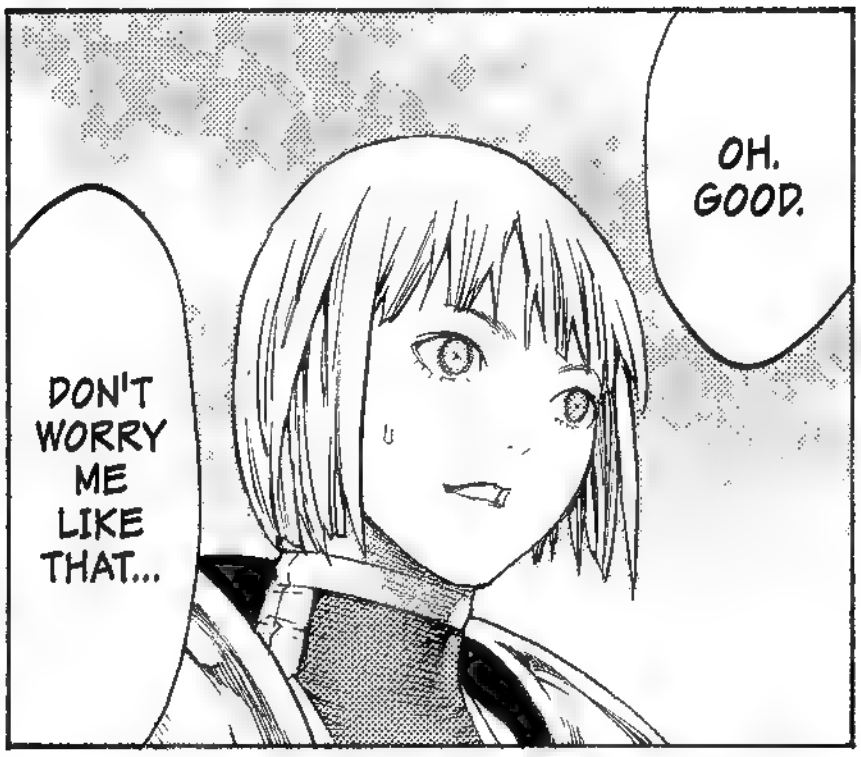
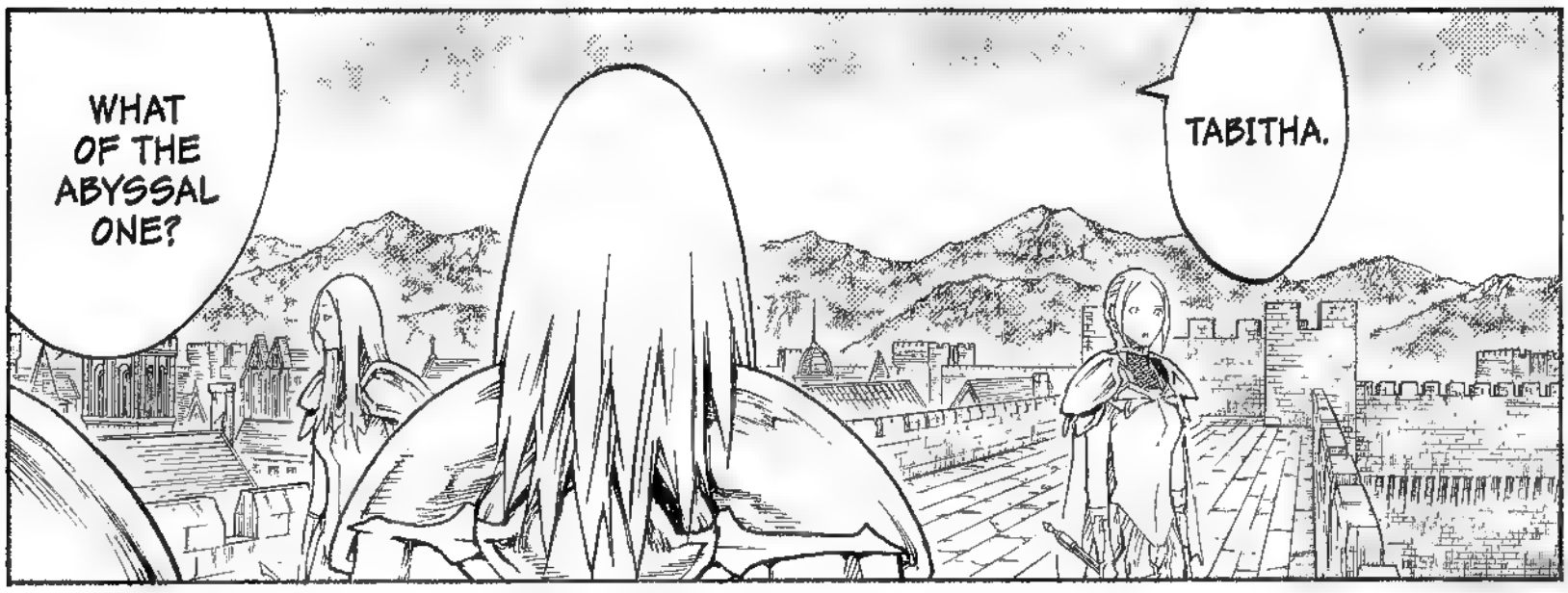
RAKI!

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!




OH. GOOD.
DON'T WORRY ME LIKE THAT...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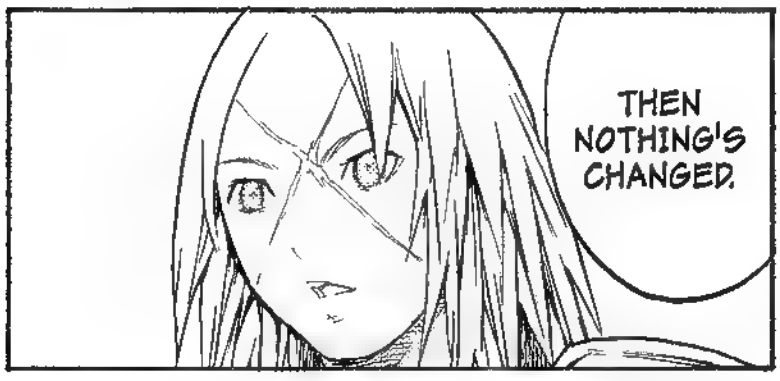
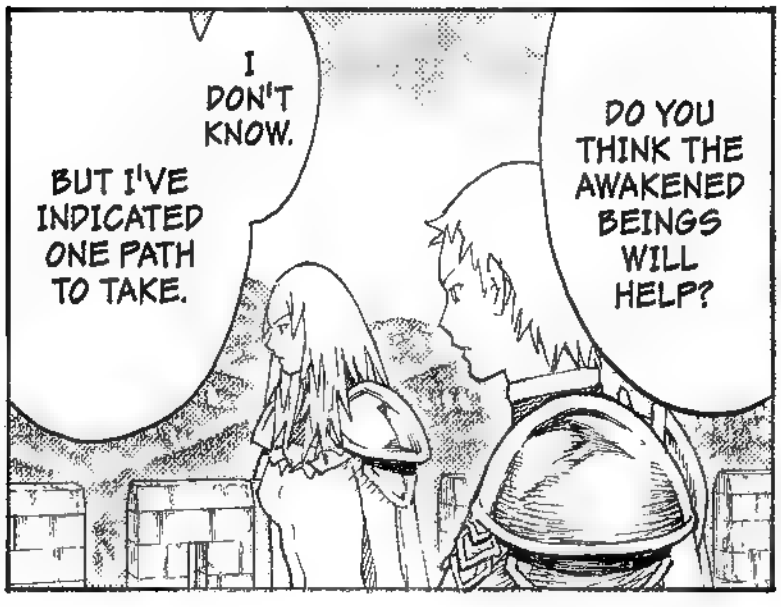
TABITHA.


THEN NOTHING'S CHANGED.


I DON'T KNOW.
BUT I'VE INDICATED ONE PATH TO TAKE.
DO YOU THINK THE AWAKENED BEINGS WILL HELP?

THE INTERNAL CONFLICT IN THE ONE SURPASSING AN ABYSSAL ONE CONTINUES WITH NEITHER WITHDRAW-ING.
IT SPED UP ONCE AND NOW MAINTAINS THAT PACE.

READ THIS WAY

...

I HOPE YOU'RE RIGHT, BUT...

...THEY AREN'T LIKELY TO CONSIDER EATING THE PEOPLE OF THIS CITY.

AS LONG AS THEY ARE EVEN SLIGHTLY AWARE OF THE POSSIBILITY OF FIGHTING ALONGSIDE US...

LET'S PUT OUR PLAN INTO ACTION.

ASSUME YOUR BATTLE STATIONS.

GASHA

I BELIEVE IT IS A FORMER NUMBER I KNOWN AS...

OUR TARGET IS THE ABYSSAL ONE APPROACHING FROM THE EAST.

...
CASSANDRA THE DUSTEATER.
SHE'S THE FINAL ABYSSAL ONE RESURRECTED BY THE ORGANIZATION.
BAKI
BAKI
BAKI
BAKI
BAKI
DO
DO
GA
GA
DO
GA
BAKI

KLOP

HER DESTINATION IS JUST UP AHEAD
I THINK IT'S RABONA.
SHE FINALLY ARRIVED

HOW VERY INTER-ESTING...
THE STRONGEST MONSTERS ARE GATHERING HERE IN THE HOLIEST OF CITIES.

B/R
B/R

READ THIS WAY

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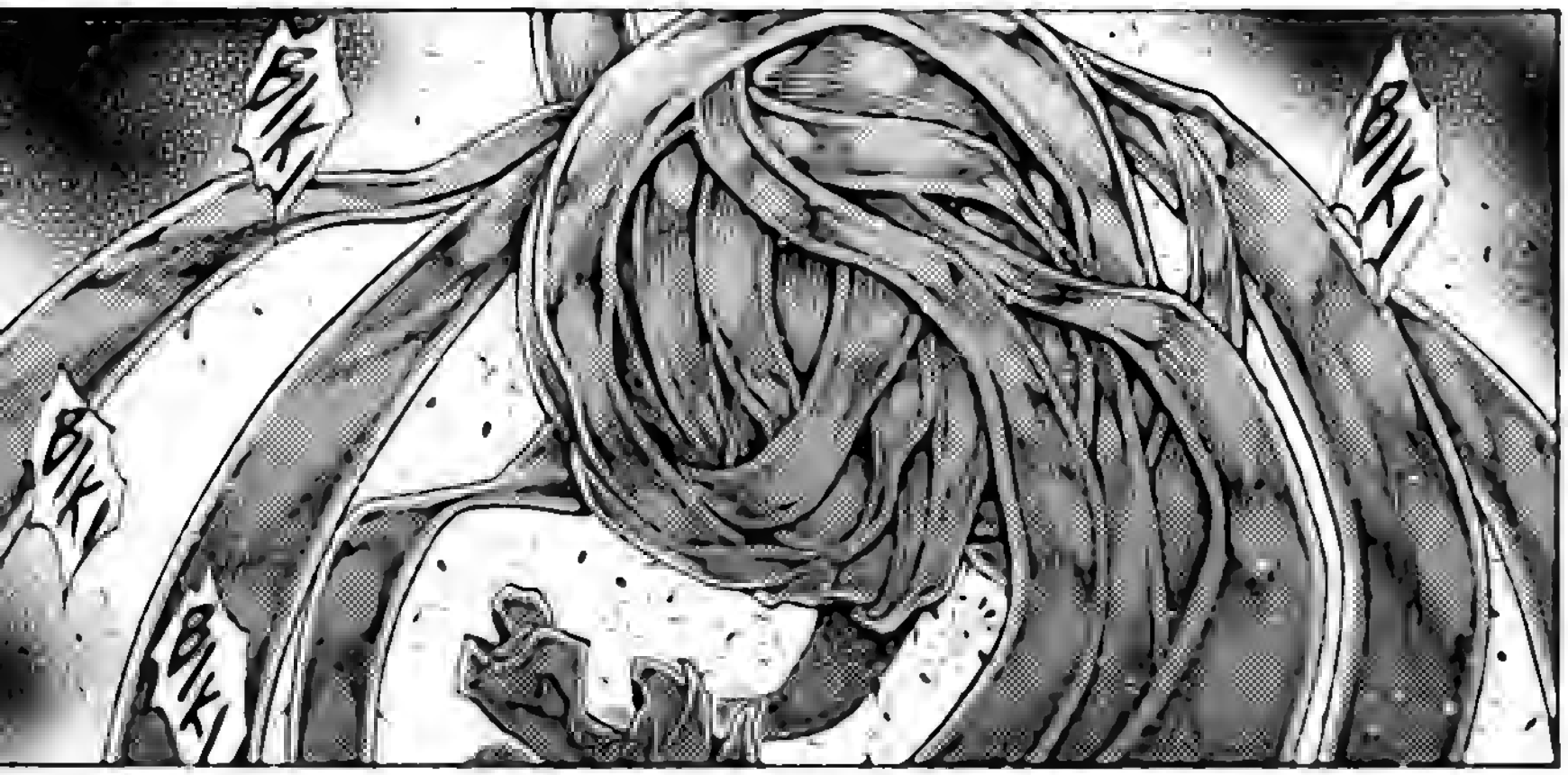
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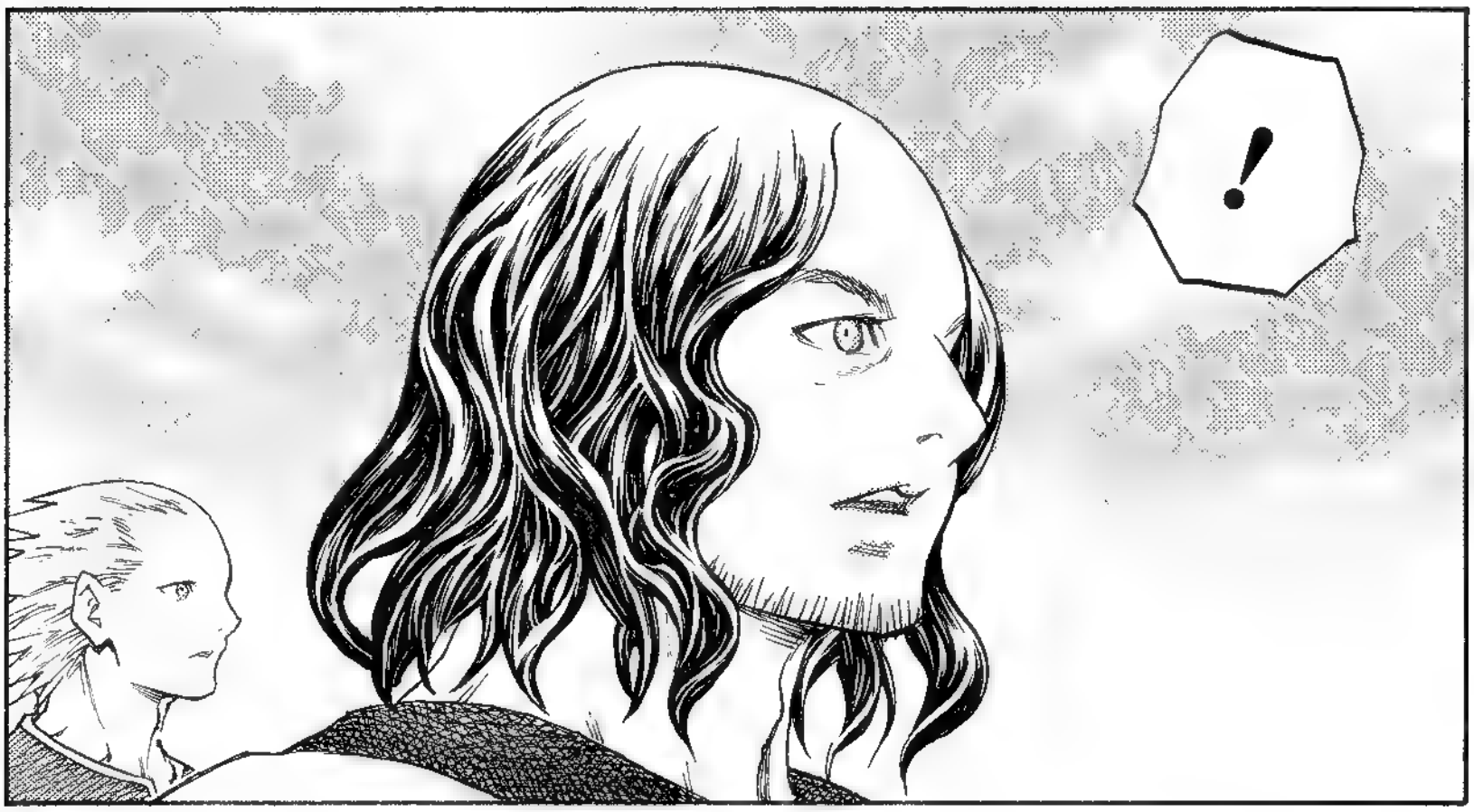
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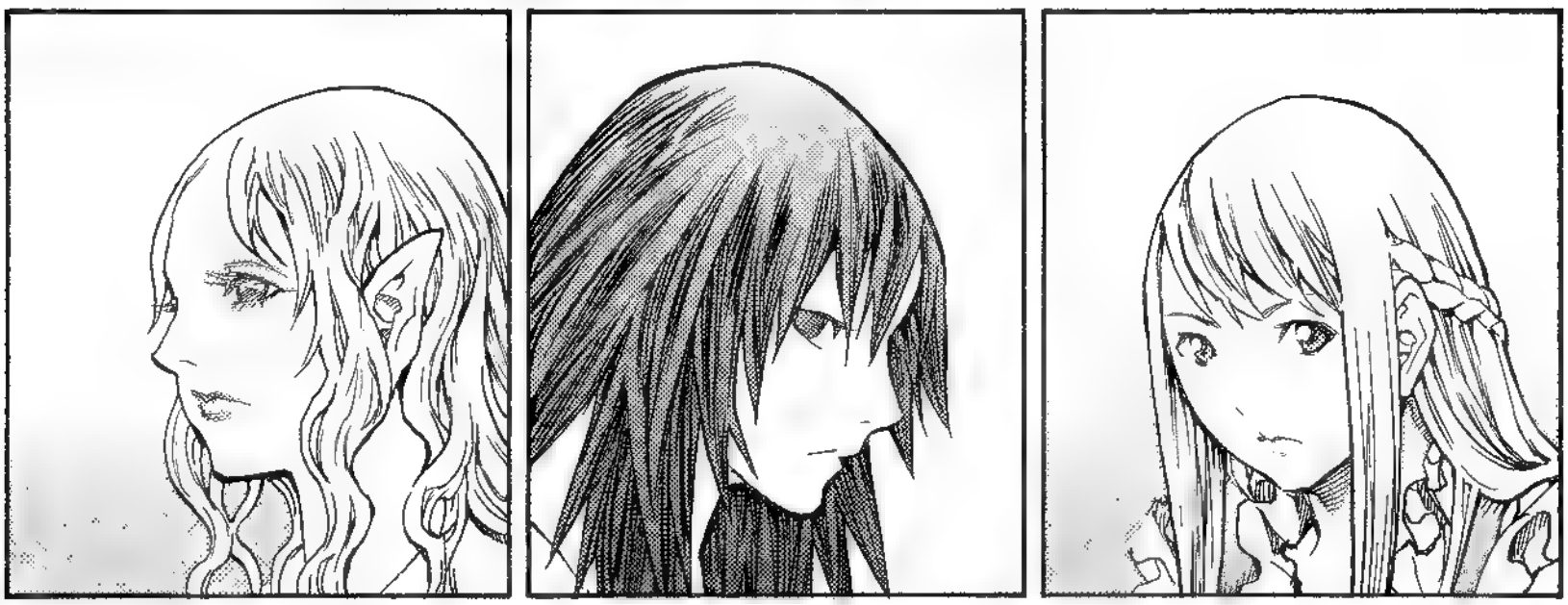

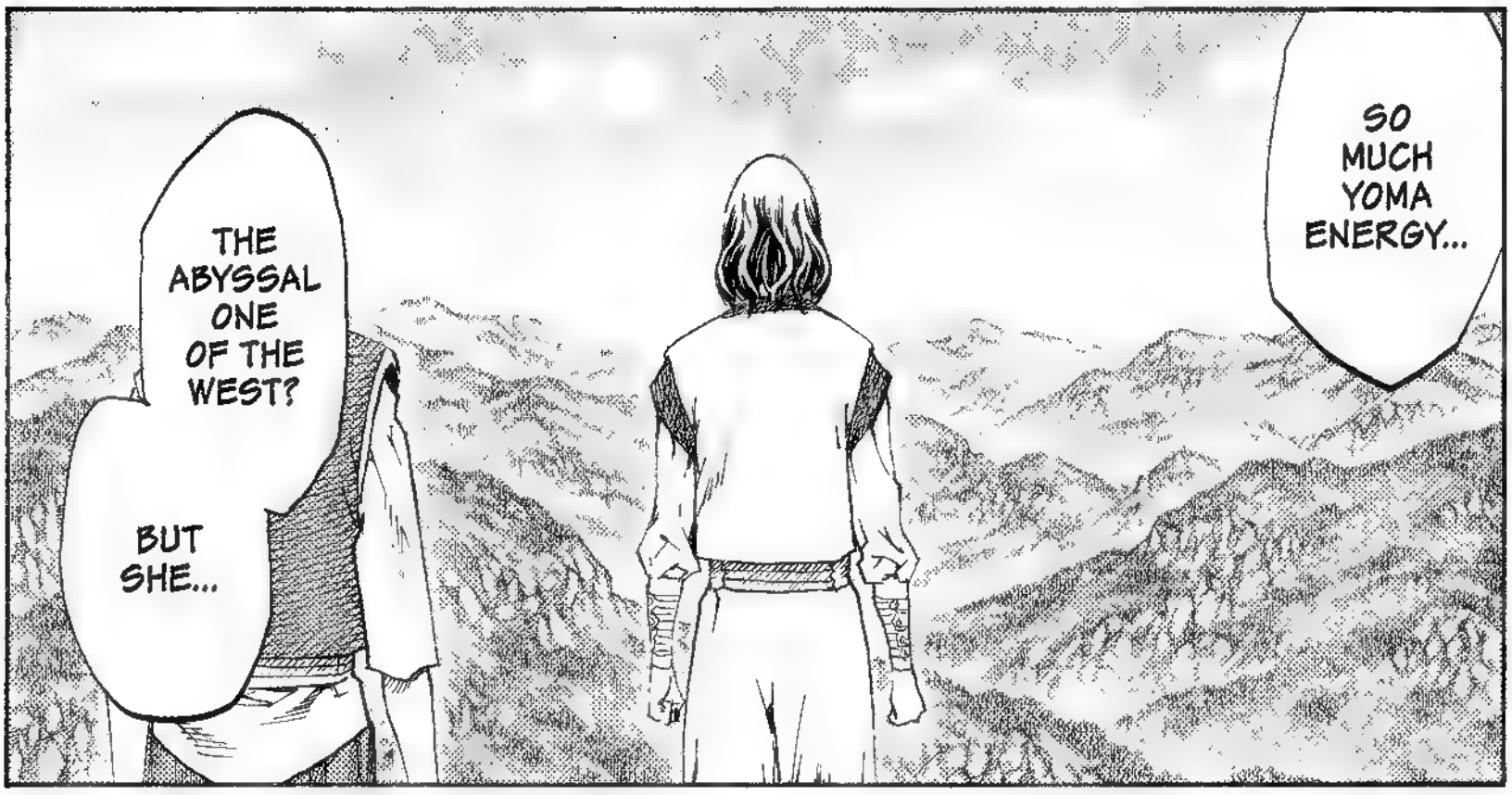
SO MUCH YOMA ENERGY...
THE ABYSSAL ONE OF THE WEST?
BUT SHE...

READ THIS WAY

BOKO
BOKO
BOKO
BOKO
BOKO
BOKO

BUT IT'S...

... SIMILAR.

CHRONOS! THIS YOMA ENERGY...

NO... ...IT ISN'T THE ABYSSAL ONE OF THE WEST.

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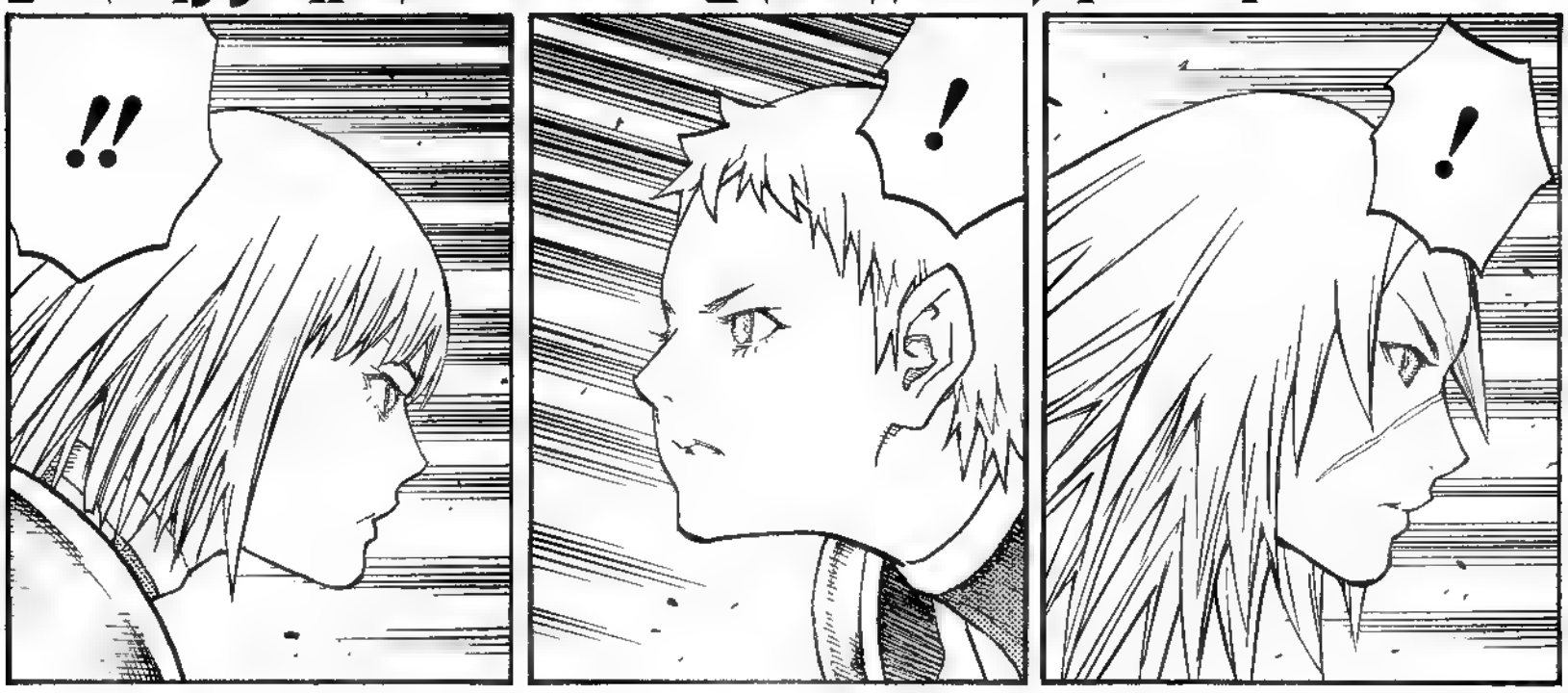

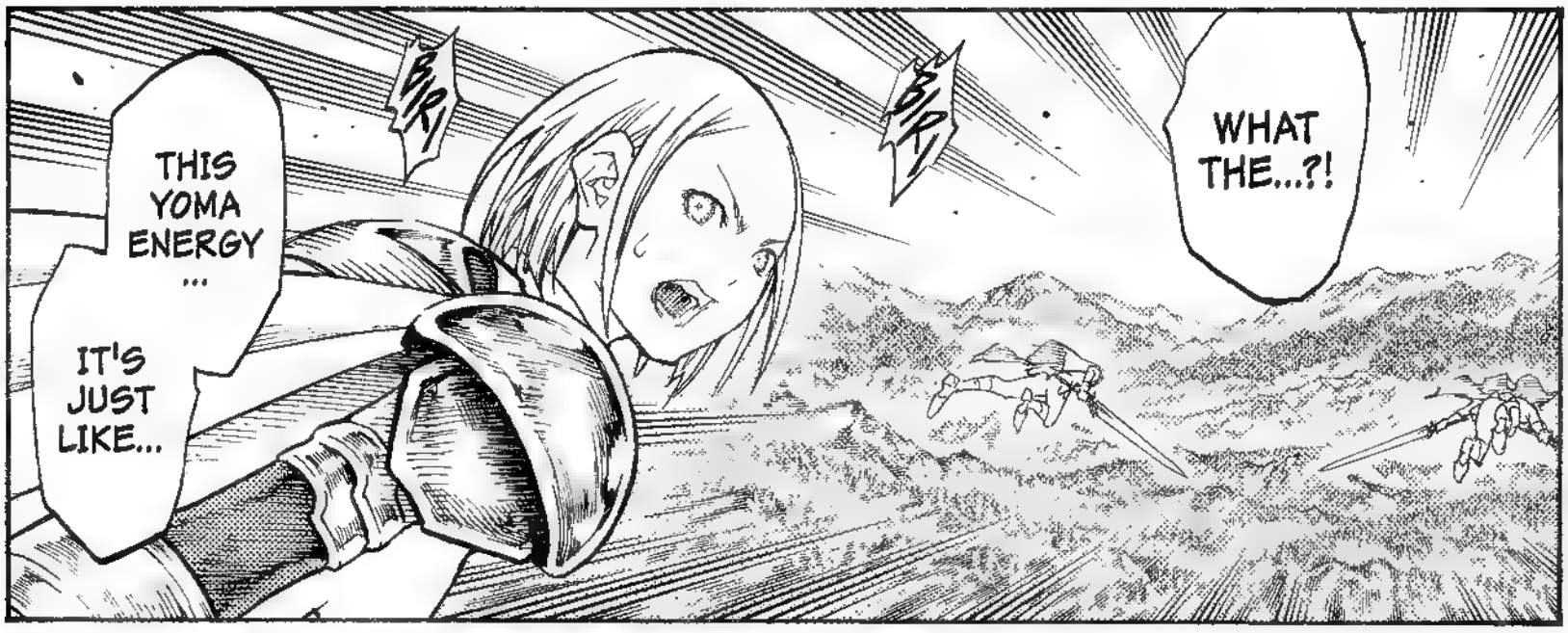

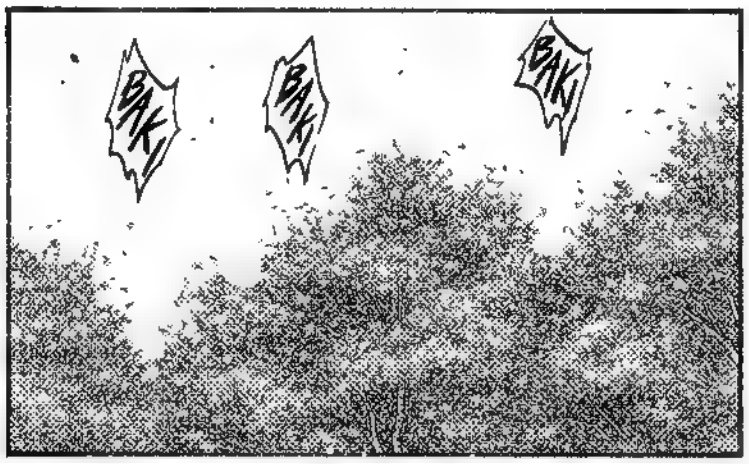

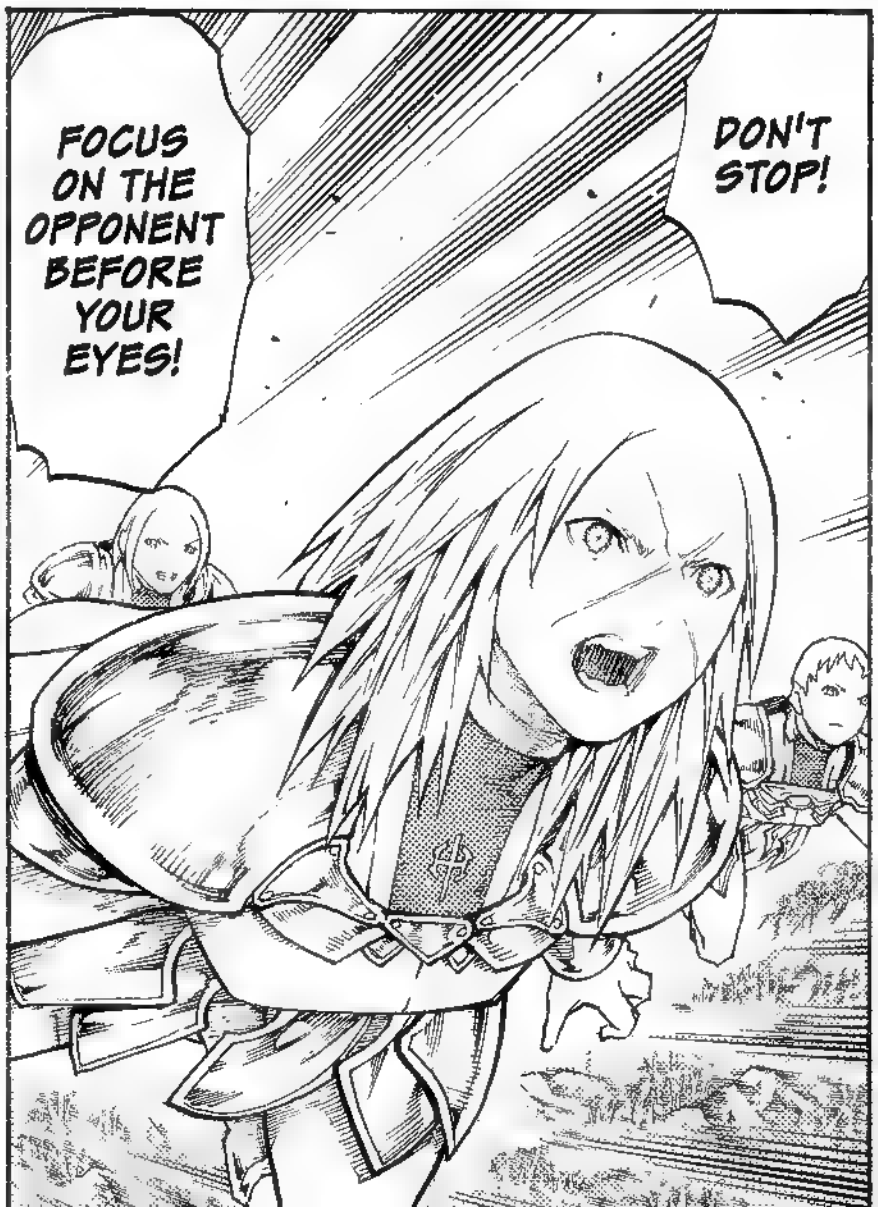

Scene 133: Army of the Underworld, Part 1

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BOKO
BOKO
BOKO
GYUPAP
THIS IS...
...THE LAST ABYSSAL ONE THE ORGANI-ZATION CREATED.
IT'S CASSAN-DRA.
DO
O
O

DO

ZN

CHOMP

MNCH

MNCH

OAK

!

IN THAT FORM, SHE'S INSANELY FAST!

BE CARE-FUL!

GNASH

GNASH

GNASH

TCH!

W

O

O

...IT'S BEEN SEVEN YEARS.

OUT HERE ...

BIKI

CLARE!

BIKI

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QUICK-SWORD!

!!

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GO

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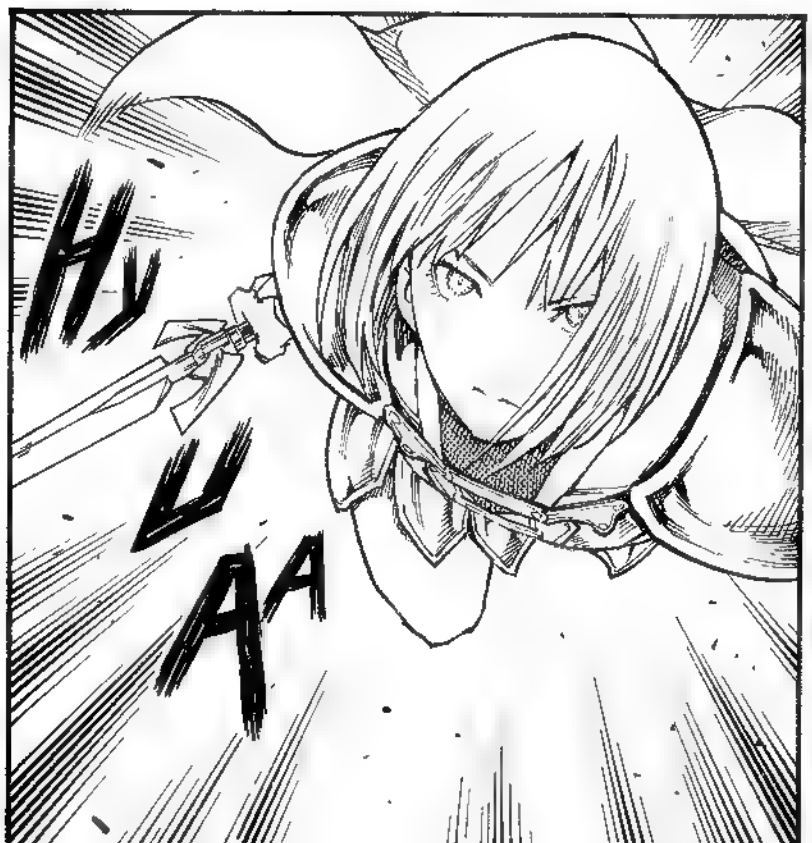
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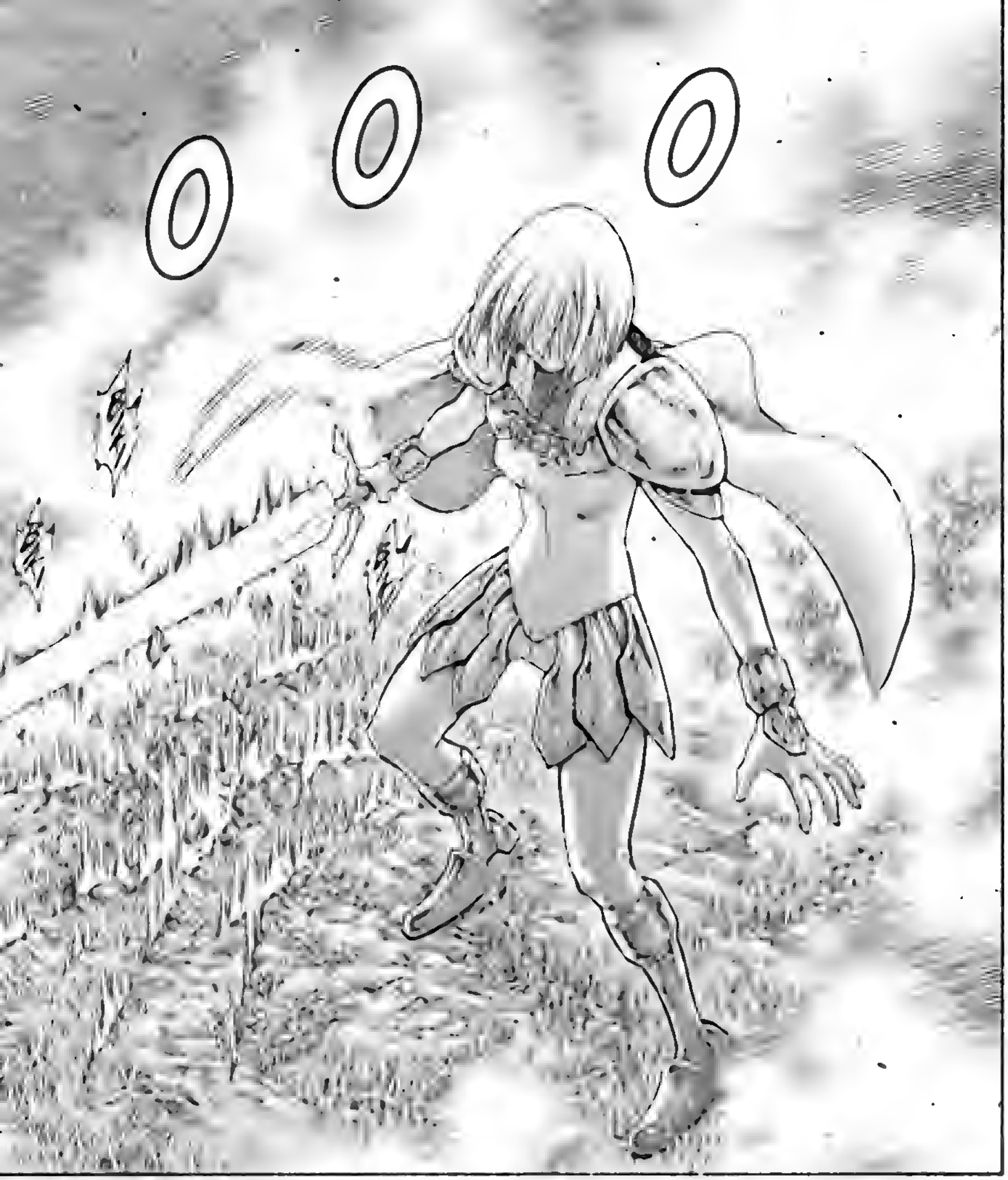

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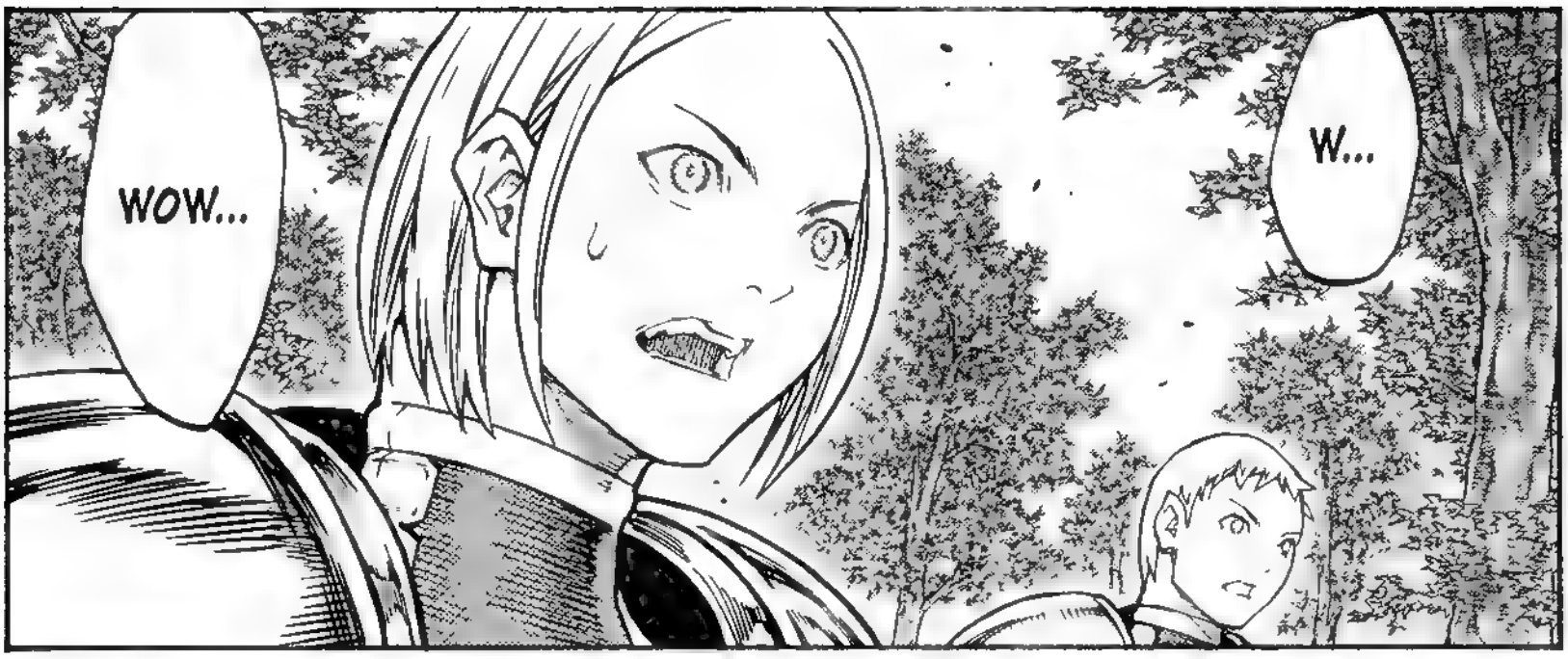
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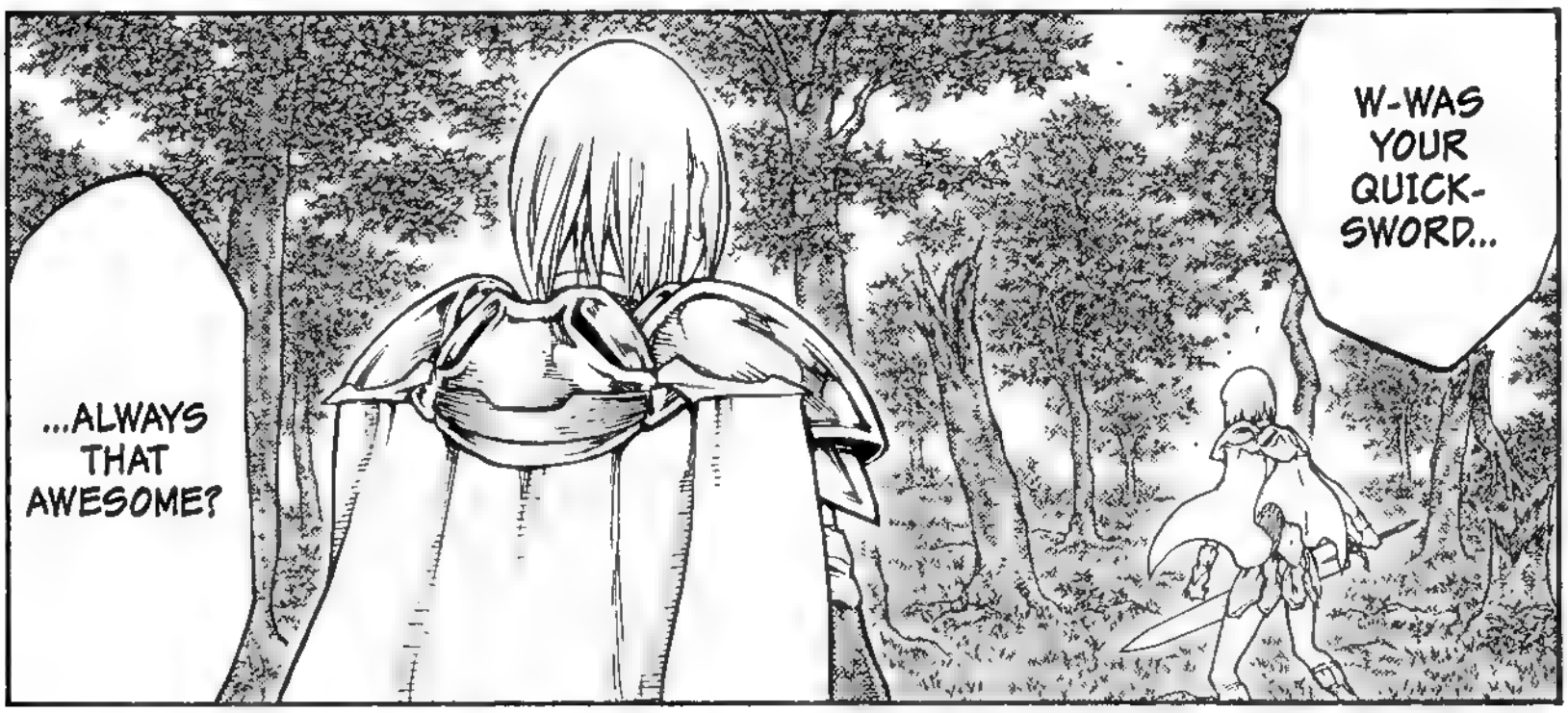
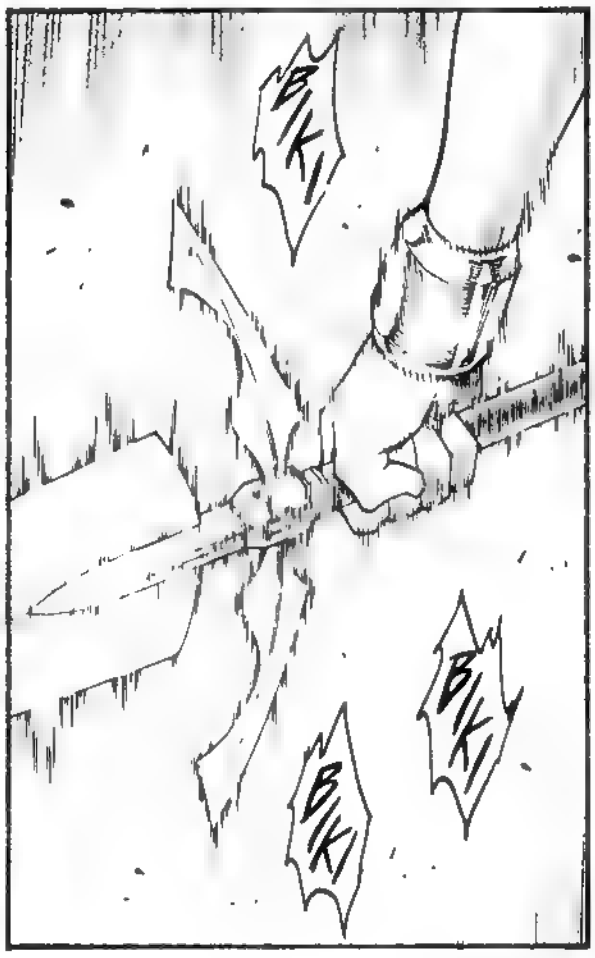

...ALWAYS THAT AWESOME?
W-WAS YOUR QUICK-SWORD...

THANKS TO THE PHYSICAL ABILITIES IT'S BASED ON IMPROVING, MY FORCE AND SPEED HAVE GREATLY INCREASED COMPARED TO SEVEN YEARS AGO.
MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE I SUPPRESSED MY YOMA ENERGY AND PRACTICED WINDCUTTER FOR SEVEN YEARS UP NORTH.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READ THIS WAY

...HAVE I FINALLY EQUALED ILENA'S QUICKSWORD?

AFTER SEVEN YEARS...

...HAVE TO STOP CAS-SANDRA'S ADVANCE.

WE IN THE VAN-GUARD ...

BOKO

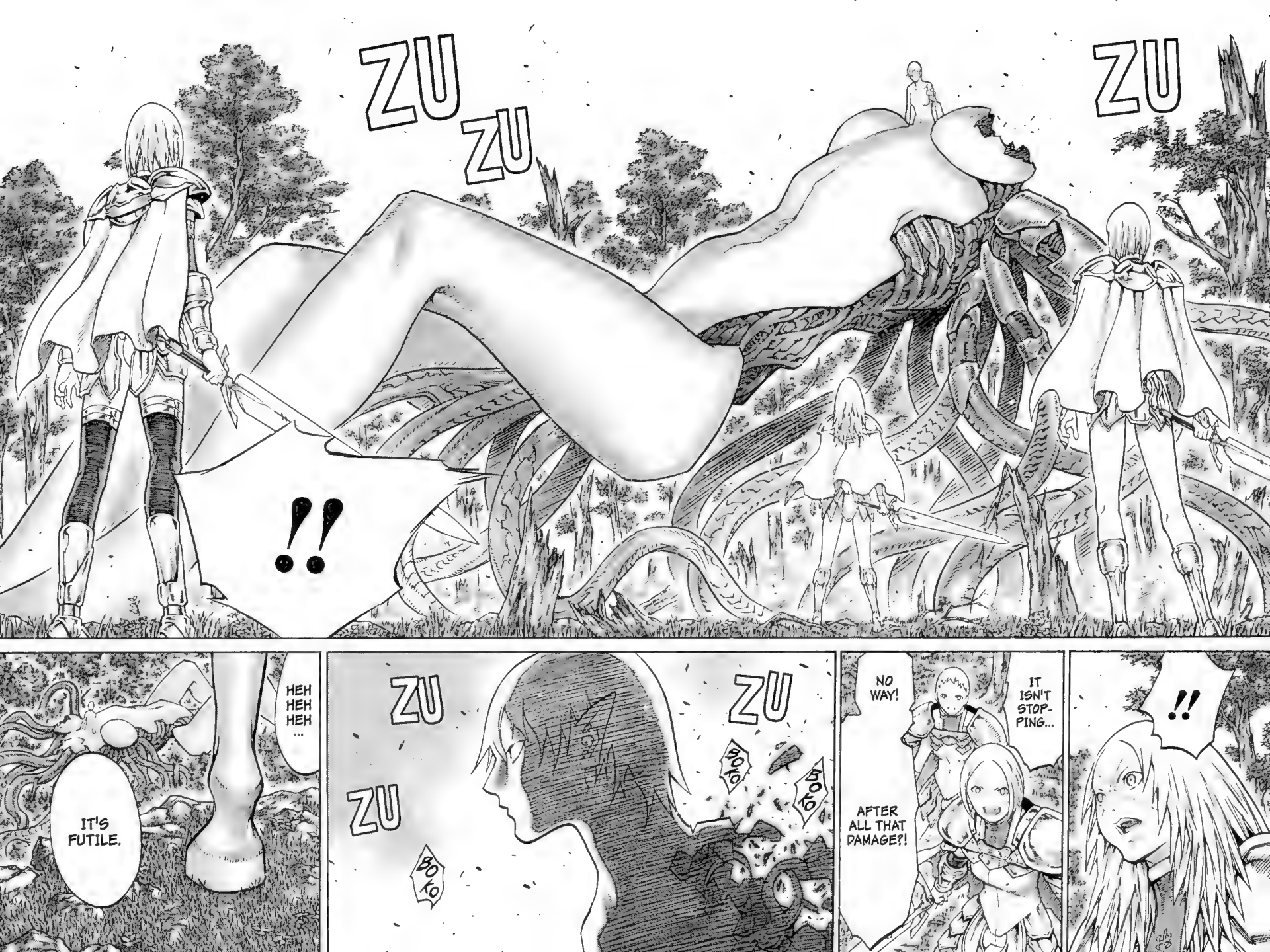
BOKO

BOKO

GI SHI

...WHILE TABITHA, CYNTHIA AND YUMA BEHIND US USE YOMA POWER HARMONIZATION TO DRAW OUT HER REMAINING EGO AND PREVENT IT FROM FUSING WITH PRISCILLA.

CASSANDRA HERSELF HAS TO SEE US AS THE MORE PRESSING ENEMY...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HEH HEH HEH ...
IT'S FUTILE.
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NO WAY!
AFTER ALL THAT DAMAGE?!
IT ISN'T STOP-PING...
!!

...ARE LIKE A SWARM OF FLIES TO CASSANDRA.

THE TRIFLING ATTACKS OF WARRIORS ...

...WITHOUT BOTHERING TO STOP.

SHE CAN SWAT THEM ASIDE...

AKH!

AKH! AKH!

DO GA

DO GA

GWOO

READ THIS WAY

HOW CAN WE USE YOMA ENERGY HARMONIZATION WHEN IT ISN'T EVEN STOPPING?!

DAMN! WHAT'S GOING ON?!

TUMP

IT *IS* SIMILAR, BUT...

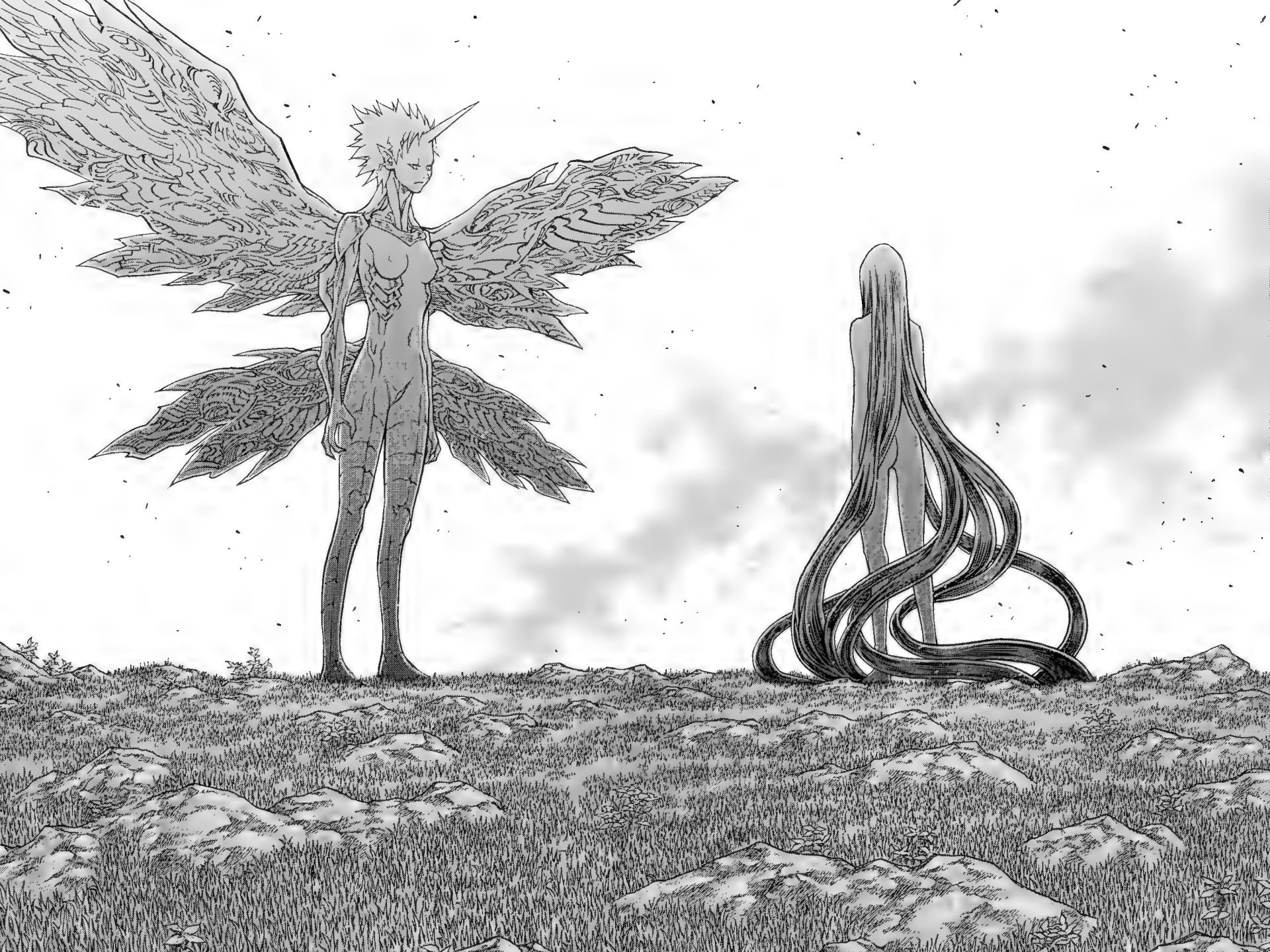
I DON'T KNOW.

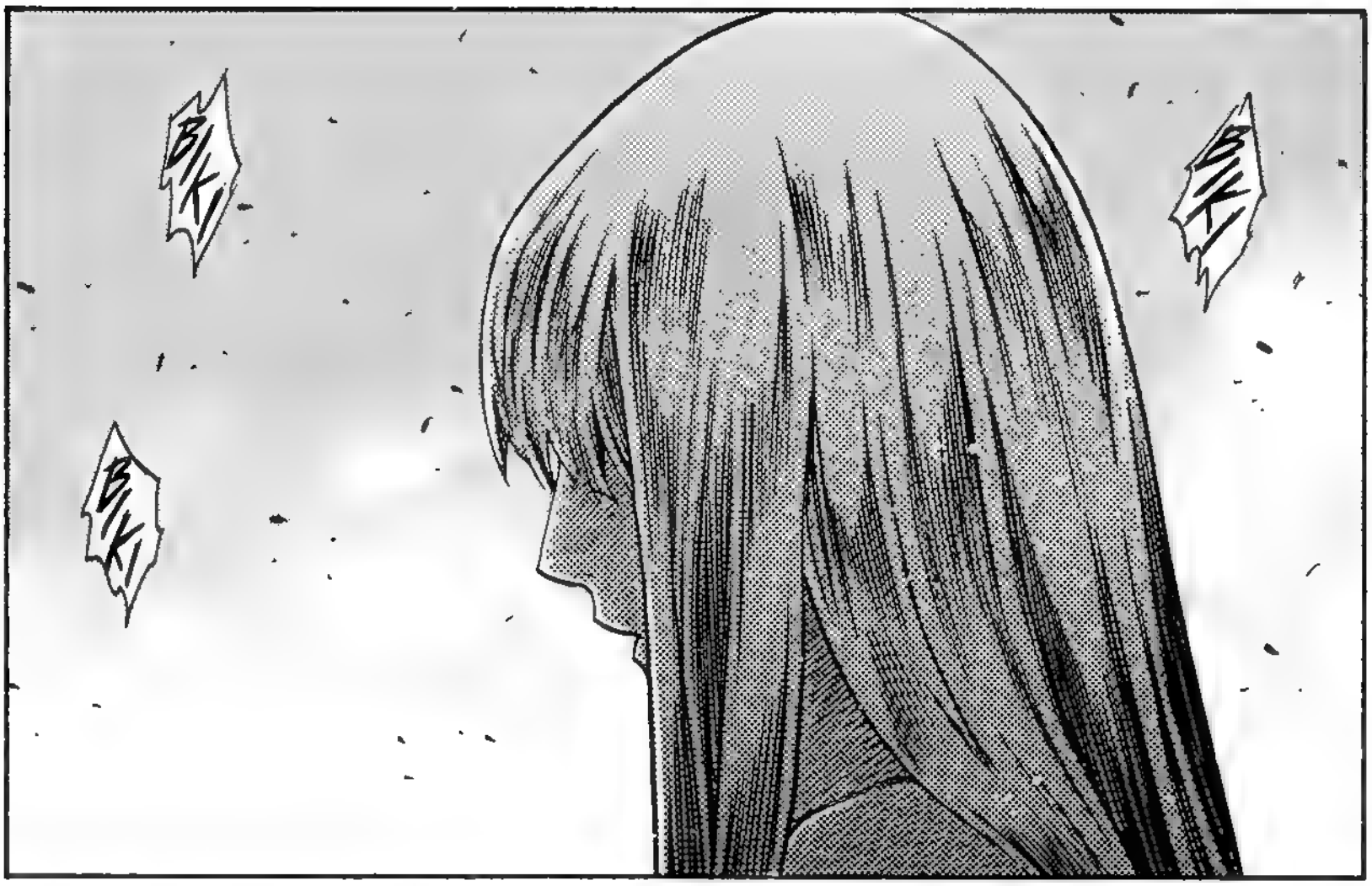
...SOMETHING'S DIFFERENT.

...

THAT MASSIVE YOMA ENERGY THAT SUDDENLY APPEARED... IS IT...

TABITHA.

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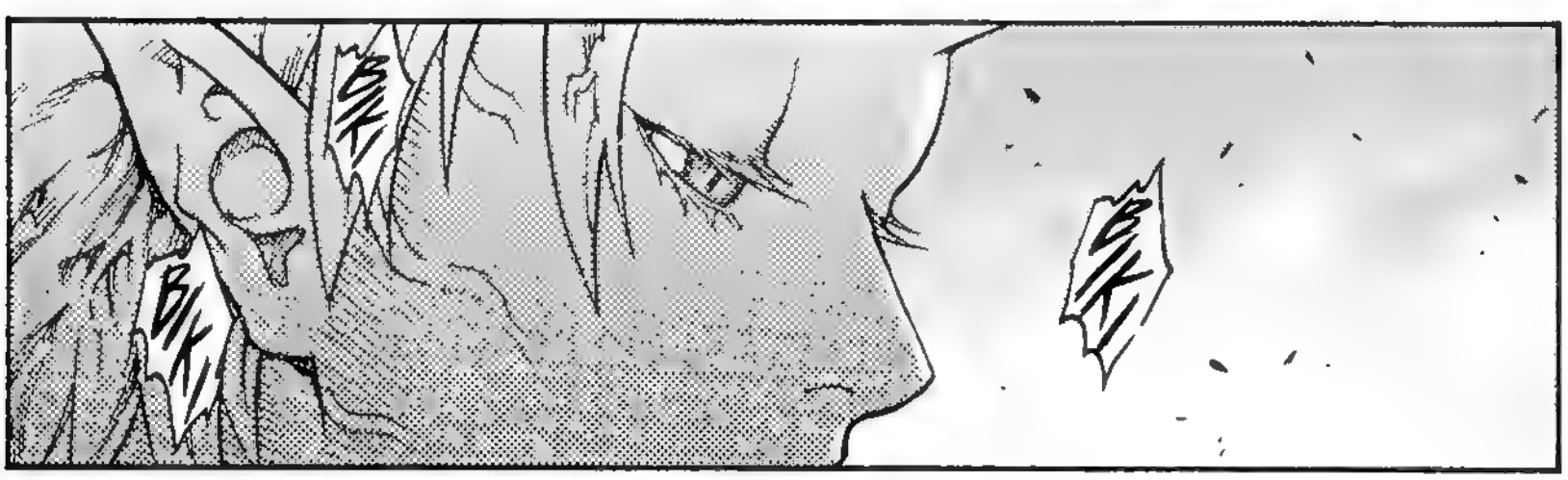
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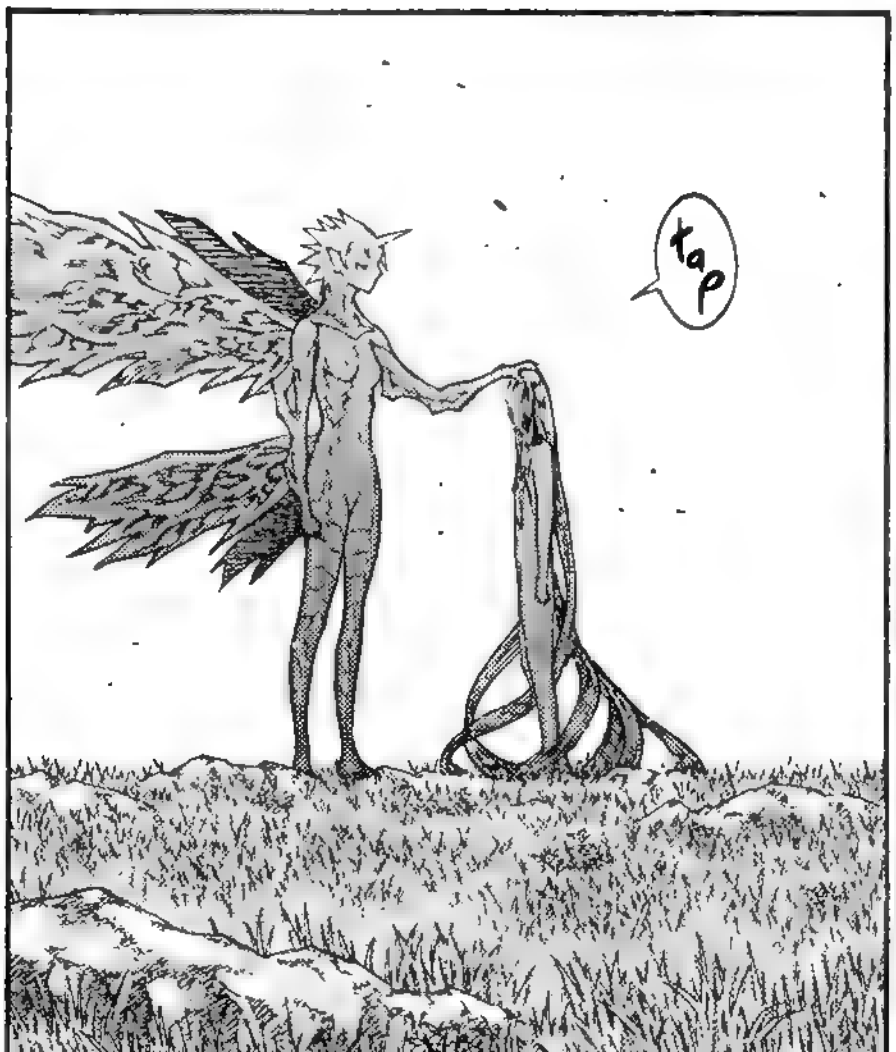
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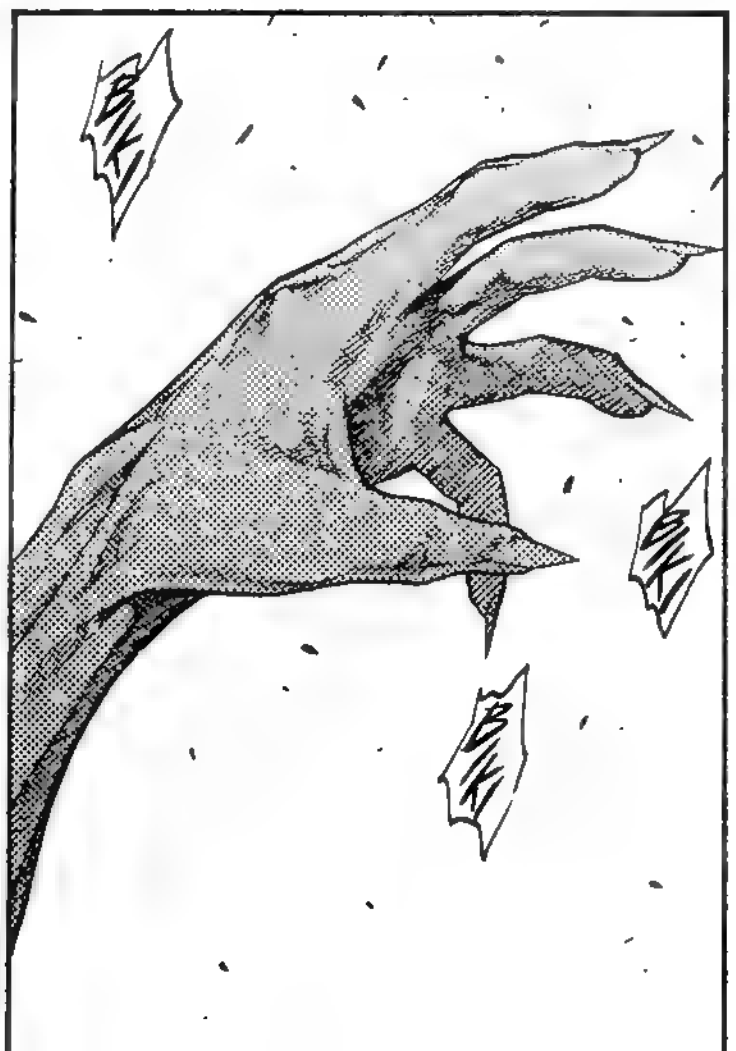
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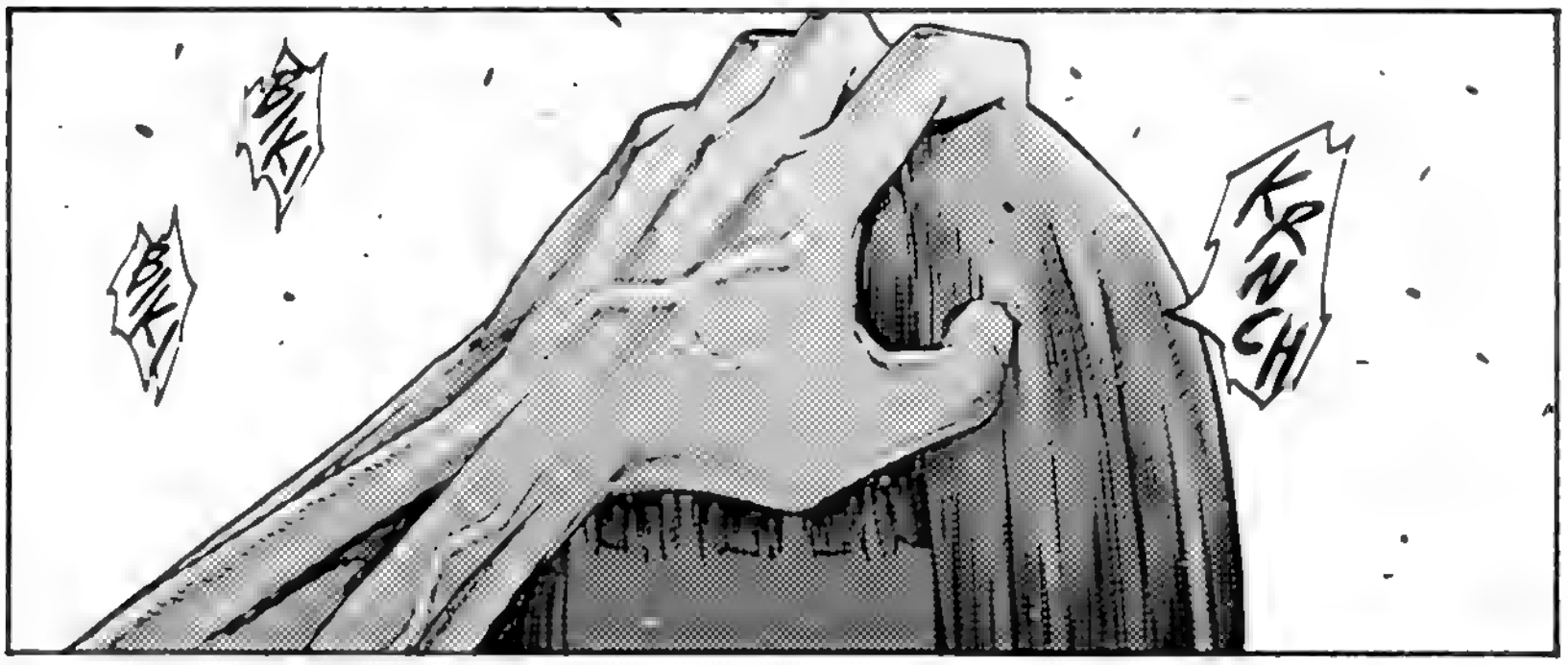

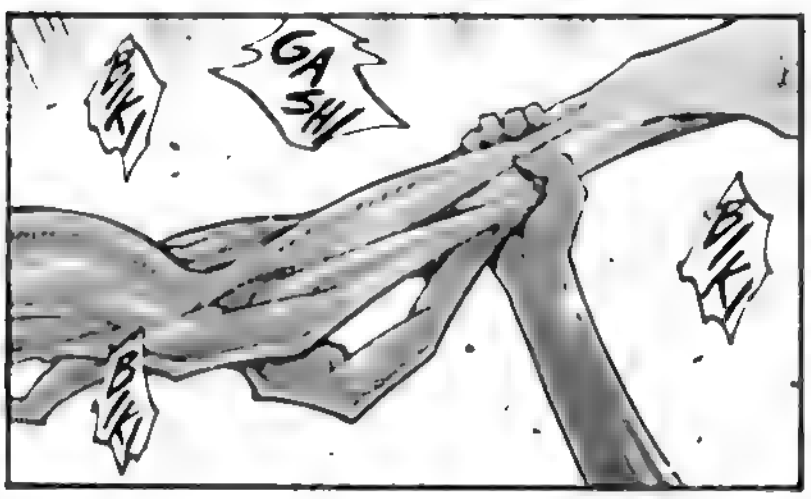

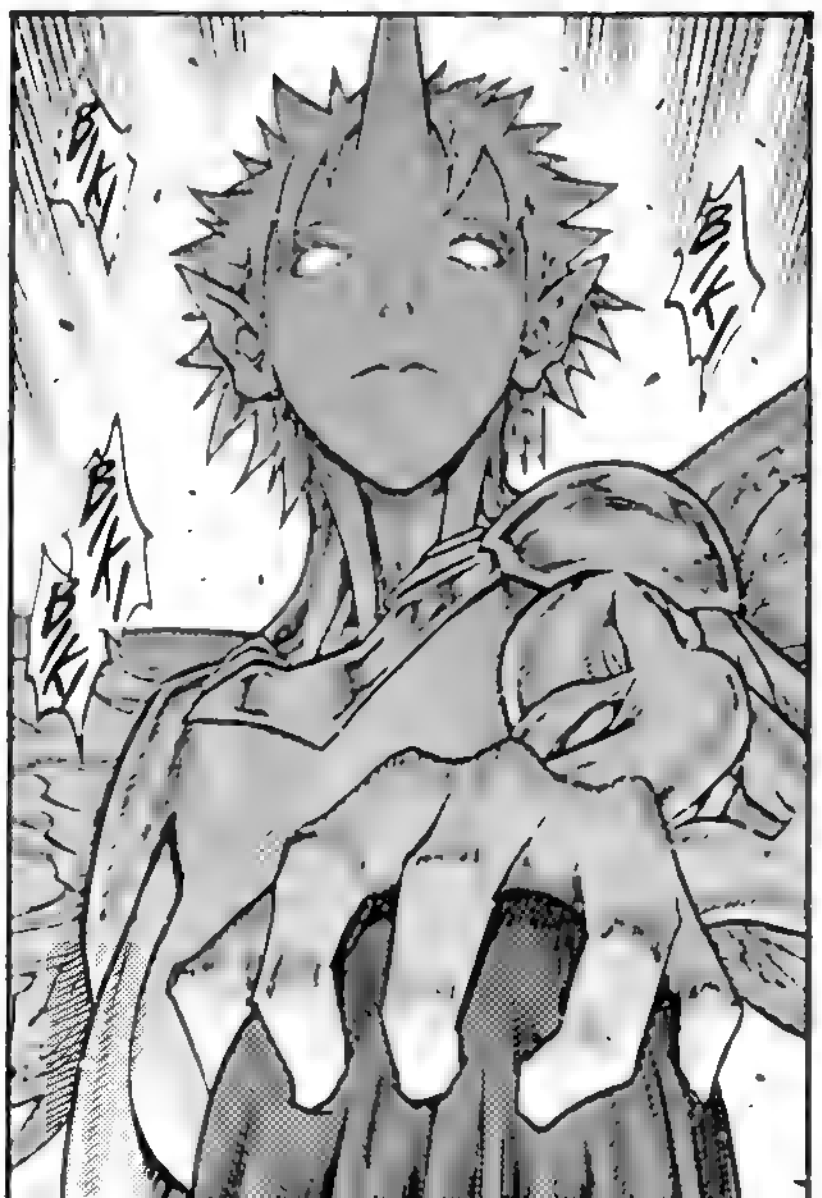

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...HATE YOU.
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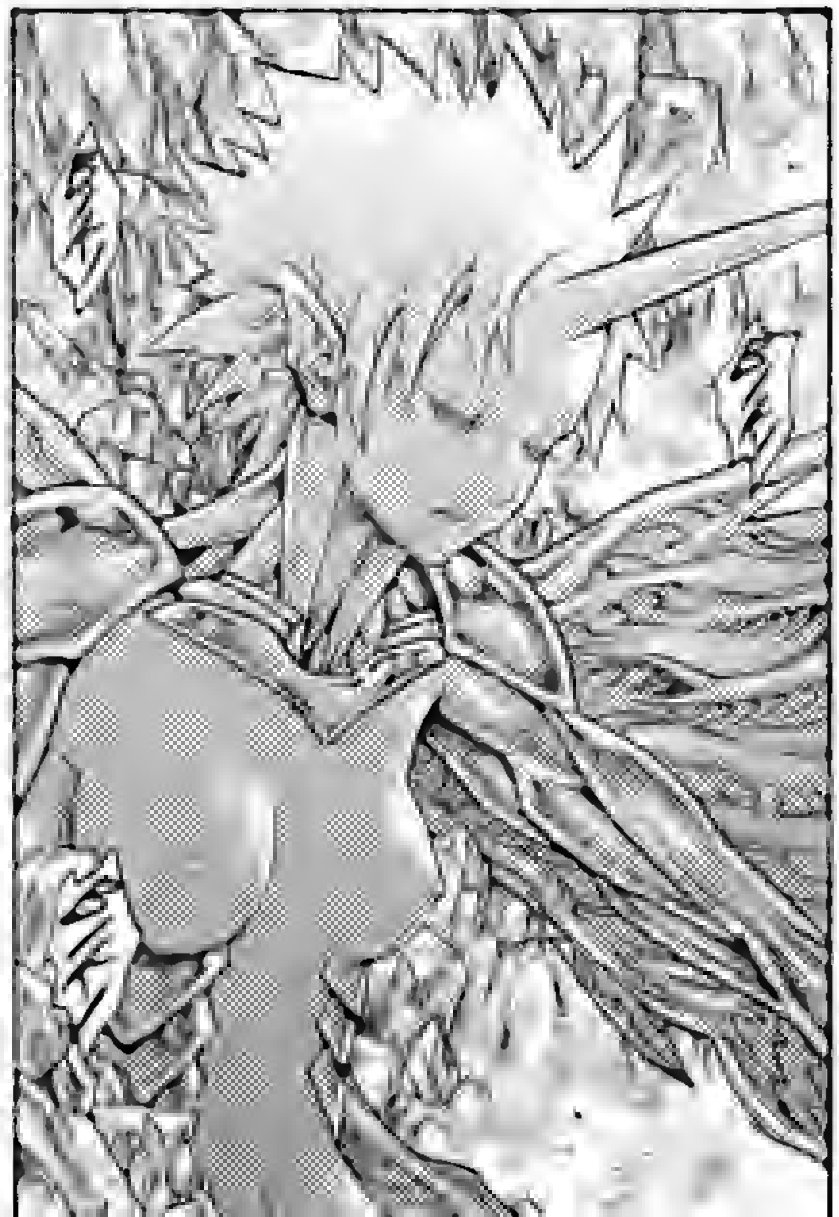

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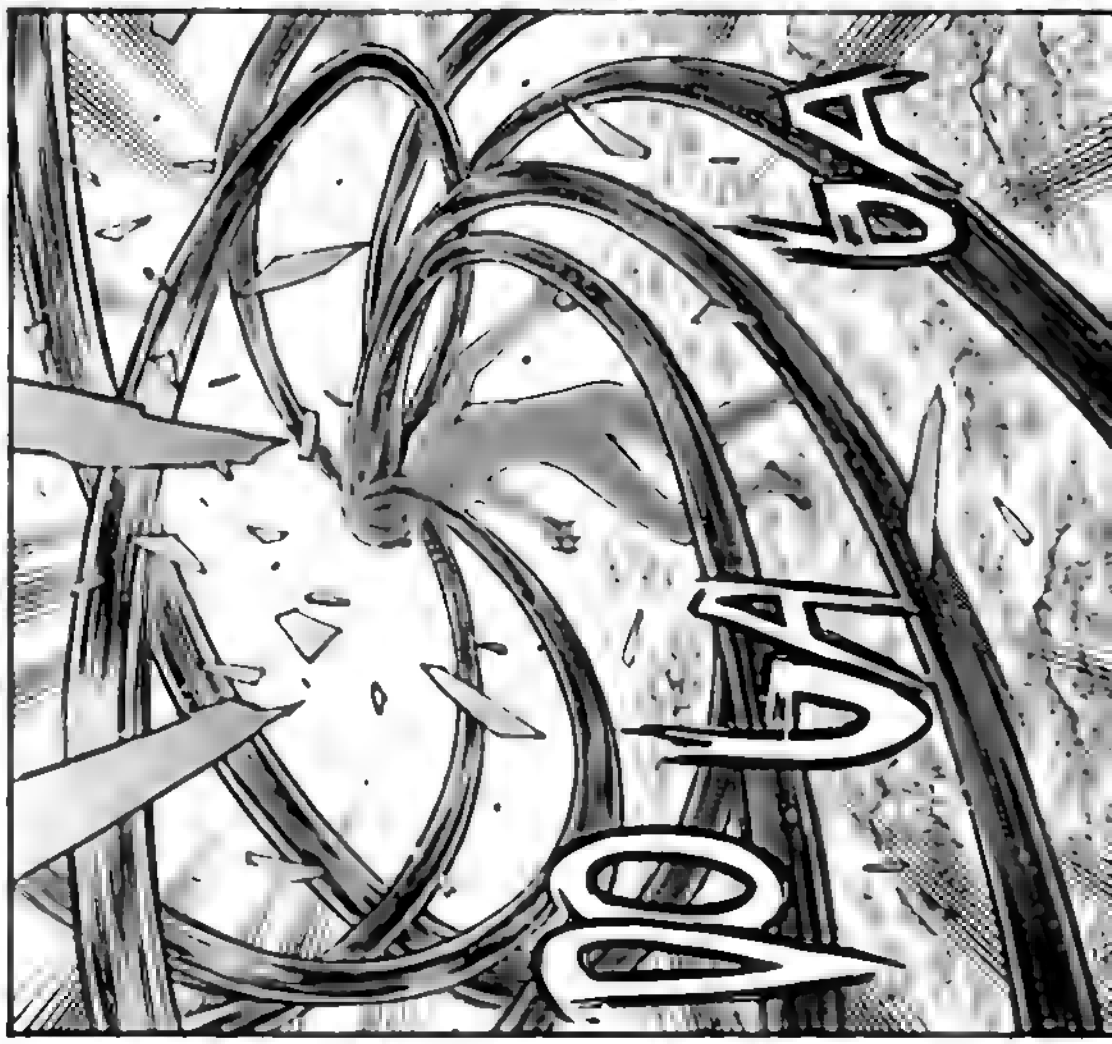
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I...

...WONDER WHAT'S HAPPEN-ING.

OOOO

WH...

WHOA.

...SOMETHING ELSE SURPASSING AN ABYSSAL ONE HAS ARRIVED?

DOES THIS MEAN...

...HAVEN'T STOPPED THE ABYSSAL ONE...

...AFTER ALL THAT BIG TALK.

AND IT SEEMS THOSE BRATS...

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT.

BUT IT SEEMS SOMETHING UNEXPECTED HAS HAPPENED.

HEH.

READ THIS WAY

...A GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR US.

BUT THIS IS DEFINITELY ...

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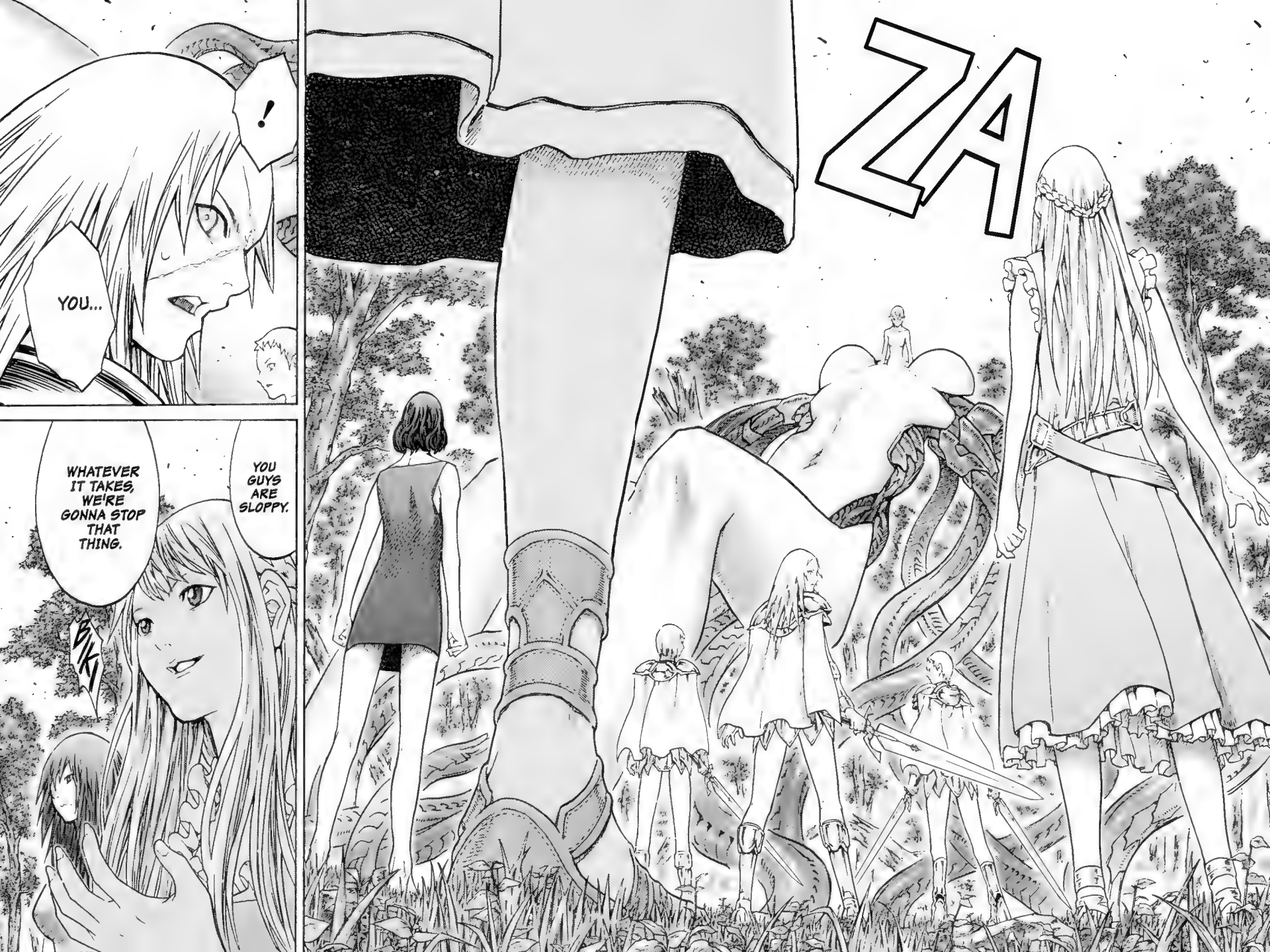
...HAD THE SAME IDEA.

IT SEEMS THEY...

THE OTHERS JUST...

HEY, CHRONOS?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YOU...
YOU GUYS ARE SLOPPY.
WHATEVER IT TAKES, WE'RE GONNA STOP THAT THING.
BIKI
ZA

Scene 134: Army of the Underworld, Part 2

READ THIS WAY

TUMP

YOU GUYS ARE SLOPPY.

WHATEVER IT TAKES, WE'RE GONNA STOP THAT THING.

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YOU...

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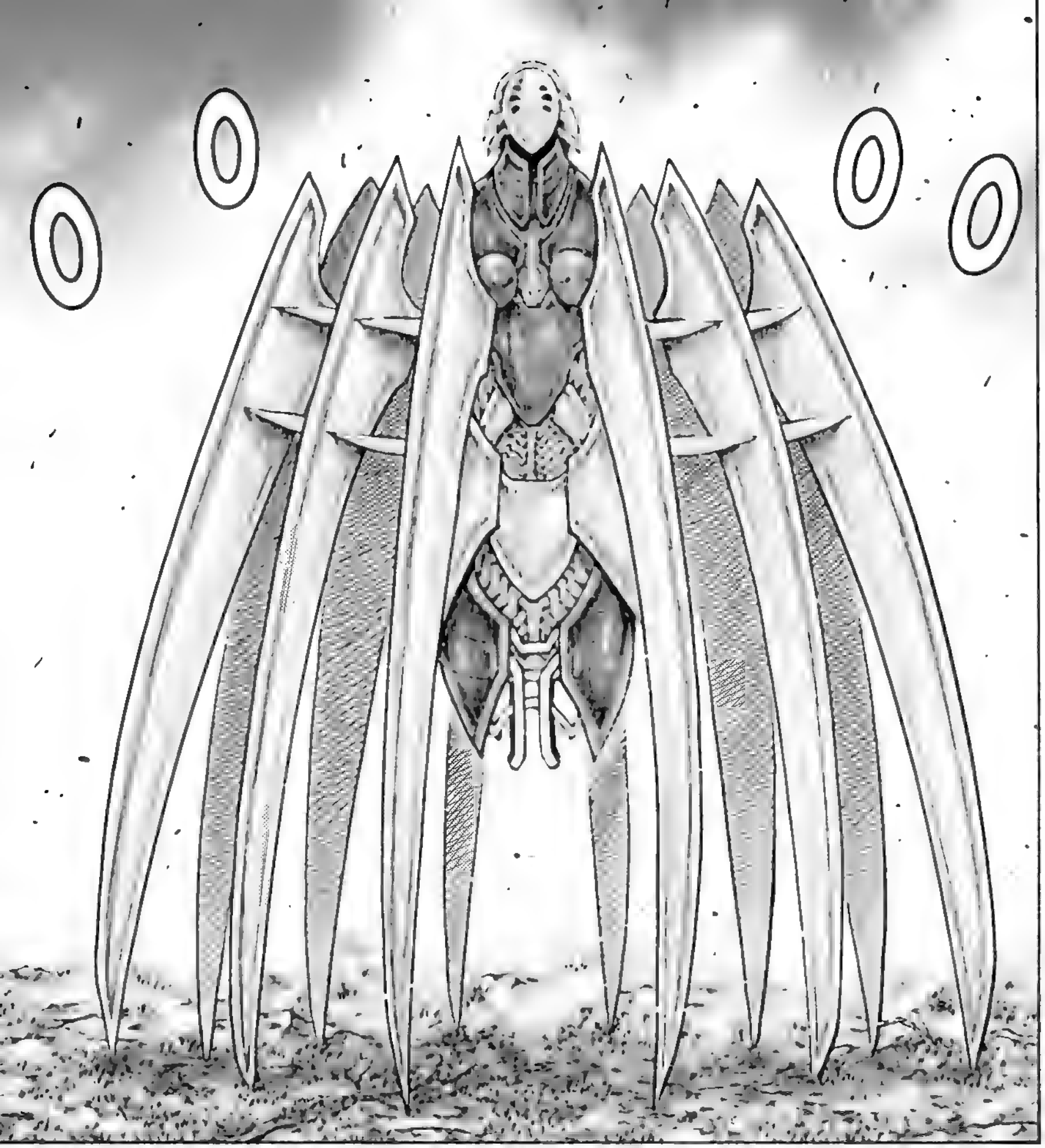

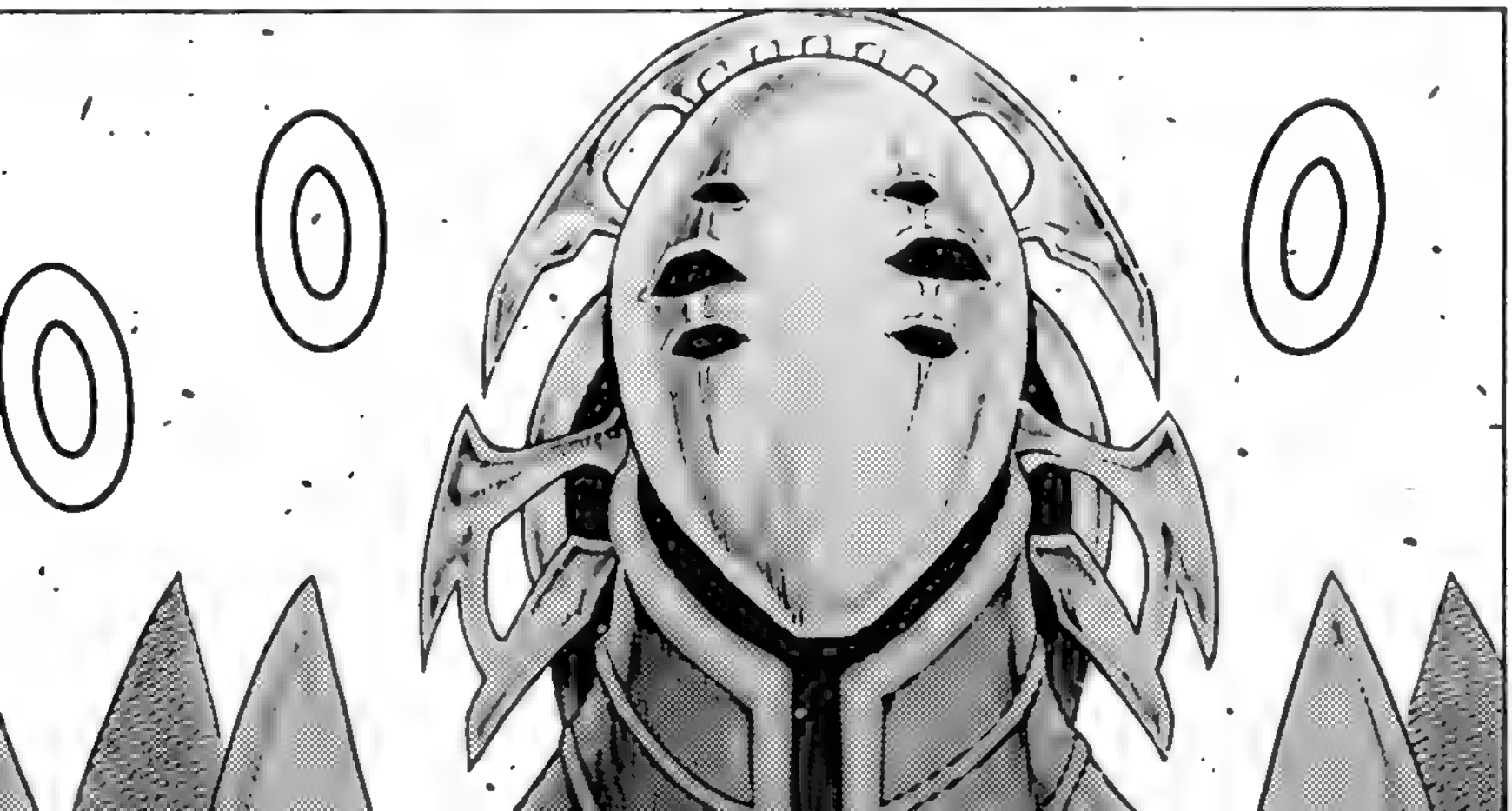

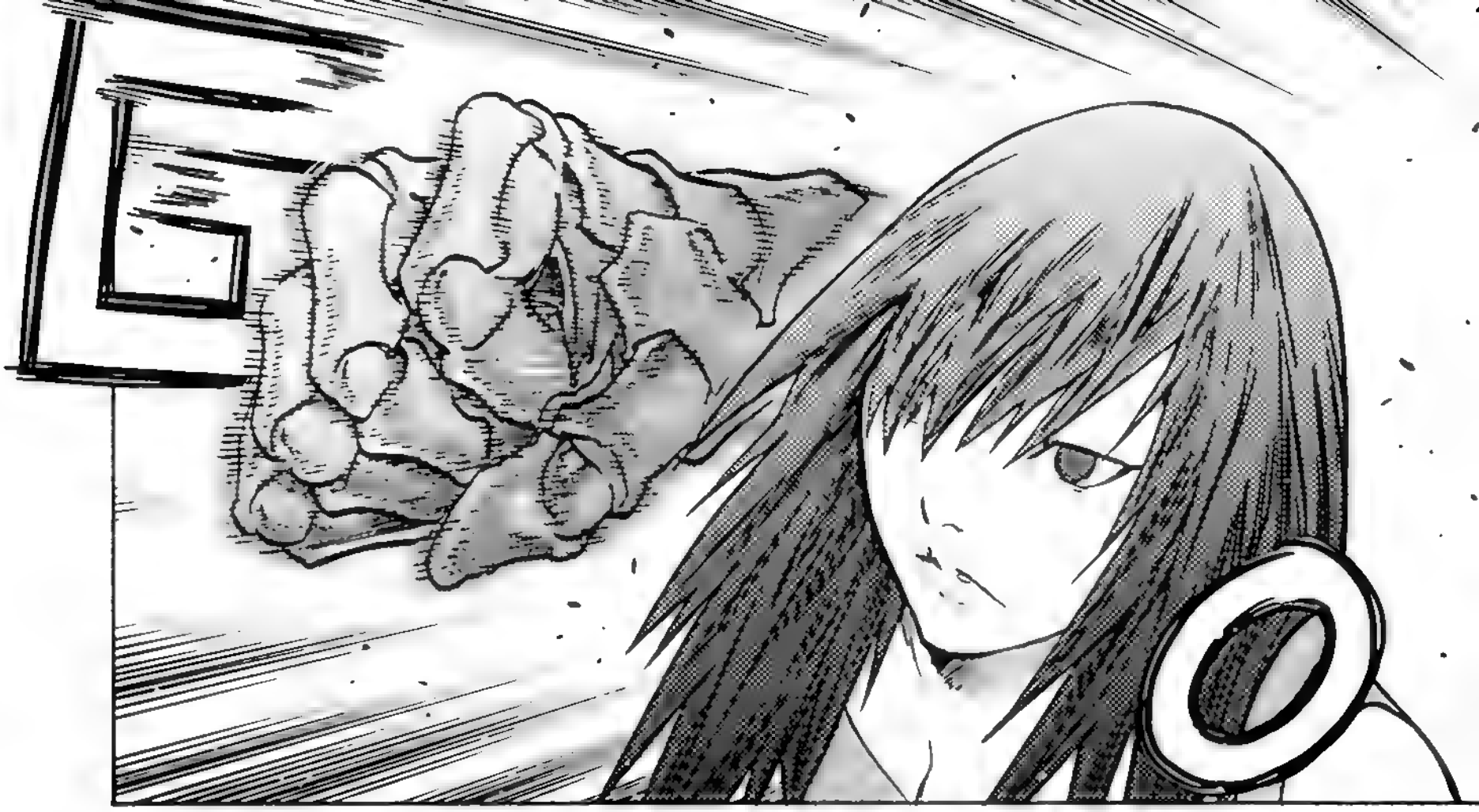

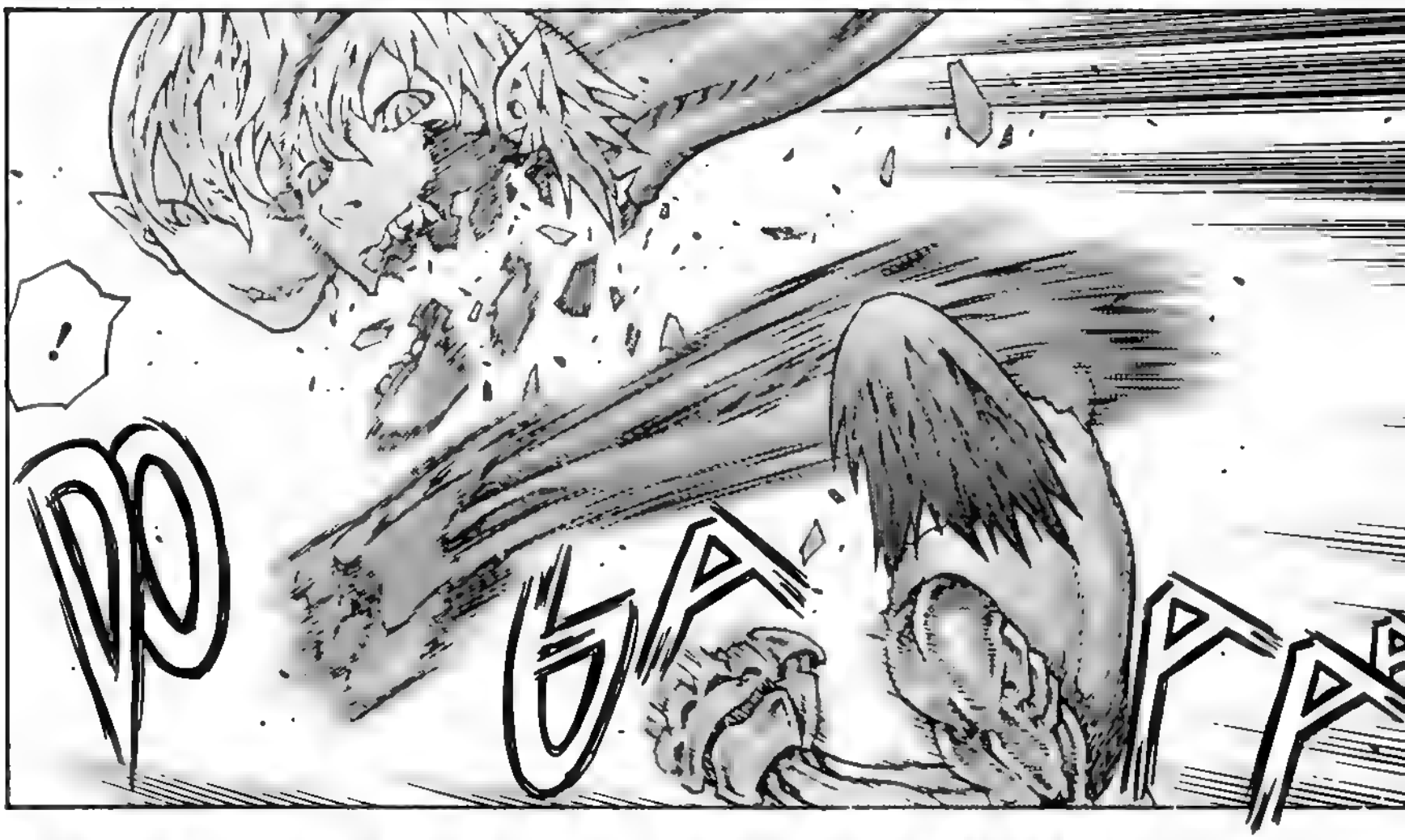
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BUAA

HMM...

NO MATTER HOW MUCH WE ATTACK THE HEADS...

...THERE'S NO EFFECT ON THE MAIN BODY.

ZU ZU ZU

IT ISN'T STOP-PING.

HUFF HUFF

HUFF HUFF

HUFF HUFF

READ THIS WAY

YOU DID WELL AGAINST SUCH A WEIGHTY OPPONENT.

SORRY I CALLED YOU SLOPPY.

!

!!

BIKI

BIKI

BIKI

BIKI

BAKI

BOKO

BOKO

DOWN

...THE WILD HORSE.

OCTA-VIA...

WHAT THE...

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HYUN

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GA GA DO GA

BOKO BOKO BOKO BOKO

BIKI

DO GA !

GAH!

MOVE BACK!

OR SHE'LL HIT YOU!

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GA

LOOK ...

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!!

...STOPPED ADVANCING.

CAS-SANDRA ...

BIKI

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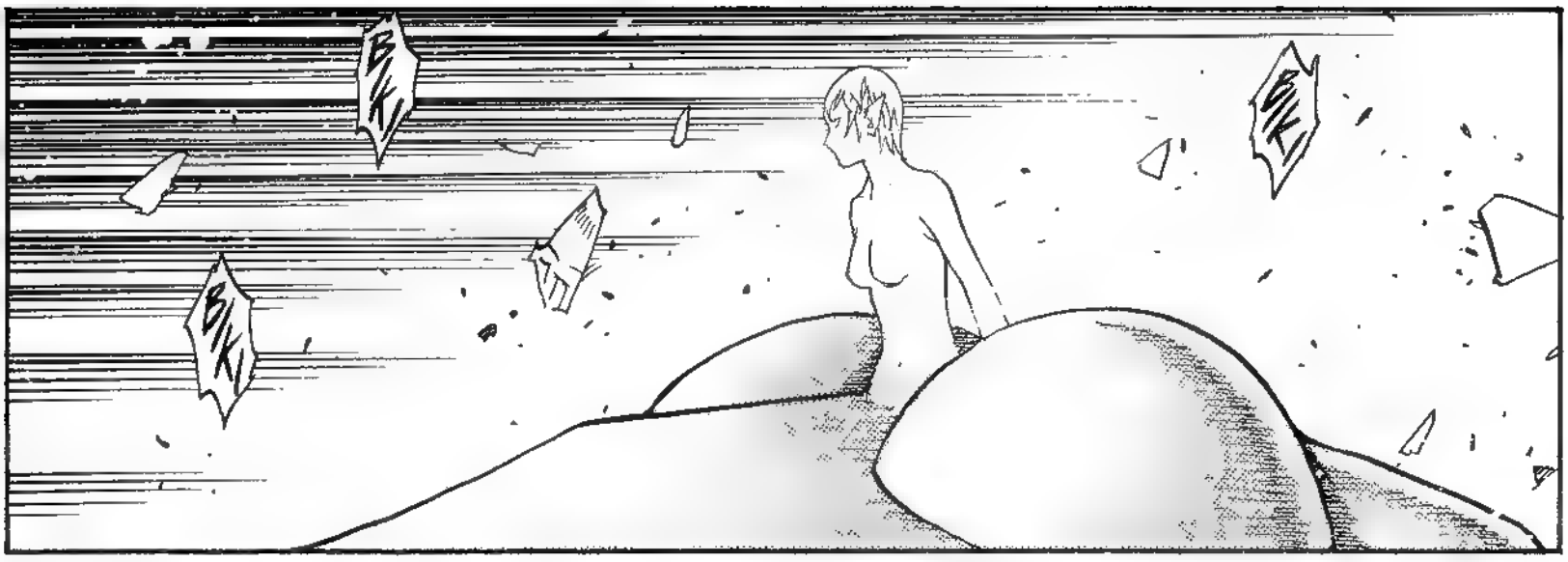
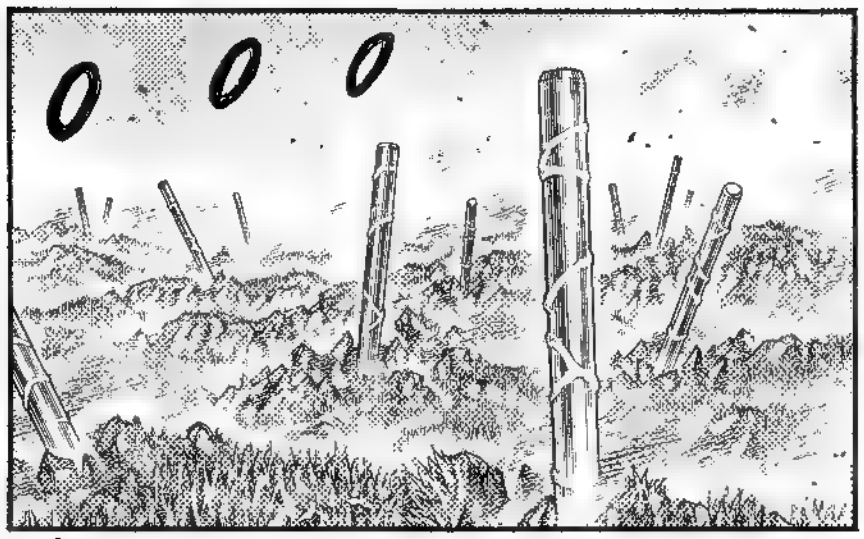
LET'S DRAW CAS-SANDRA...

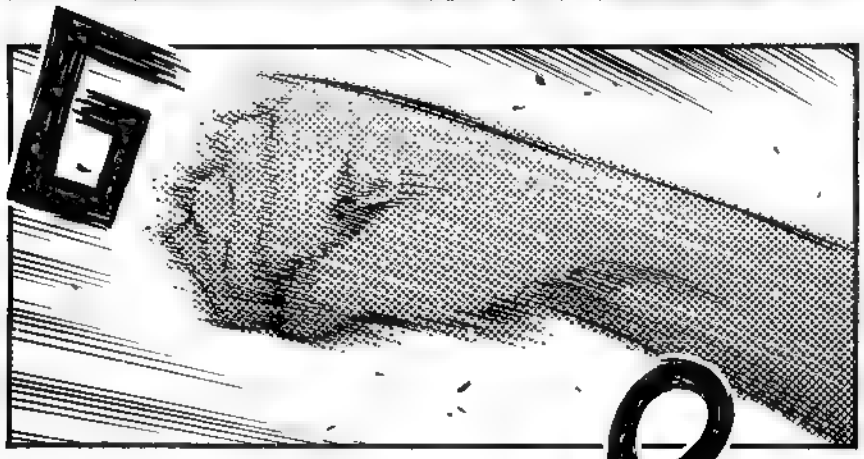
...OUT OF THE ABYSSAL ONE.

NOW!

READ THIS WAY







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...WHO SURPASSES THE MONSTER SURPASSING AN ABYSSAL ONE?

HAS A MONSTER COME...

W...

WHAT'S HAPPEN-ING...?

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GASHA

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クレイモア
Claymore

Scene 135: Army of the Underworld, Part 3

...WHAT'S A CLAYMORE?

PAPA...

WHAT?

WHERE DID YOU LEARN THAT WORD?

HM?

PAPA, YOU KNOW WHAT A CLAY-MORE IS?

THAT'S RIGHT. IF A YOMA APPEARS, WE HAVE TO CALL A CLAYMORE.

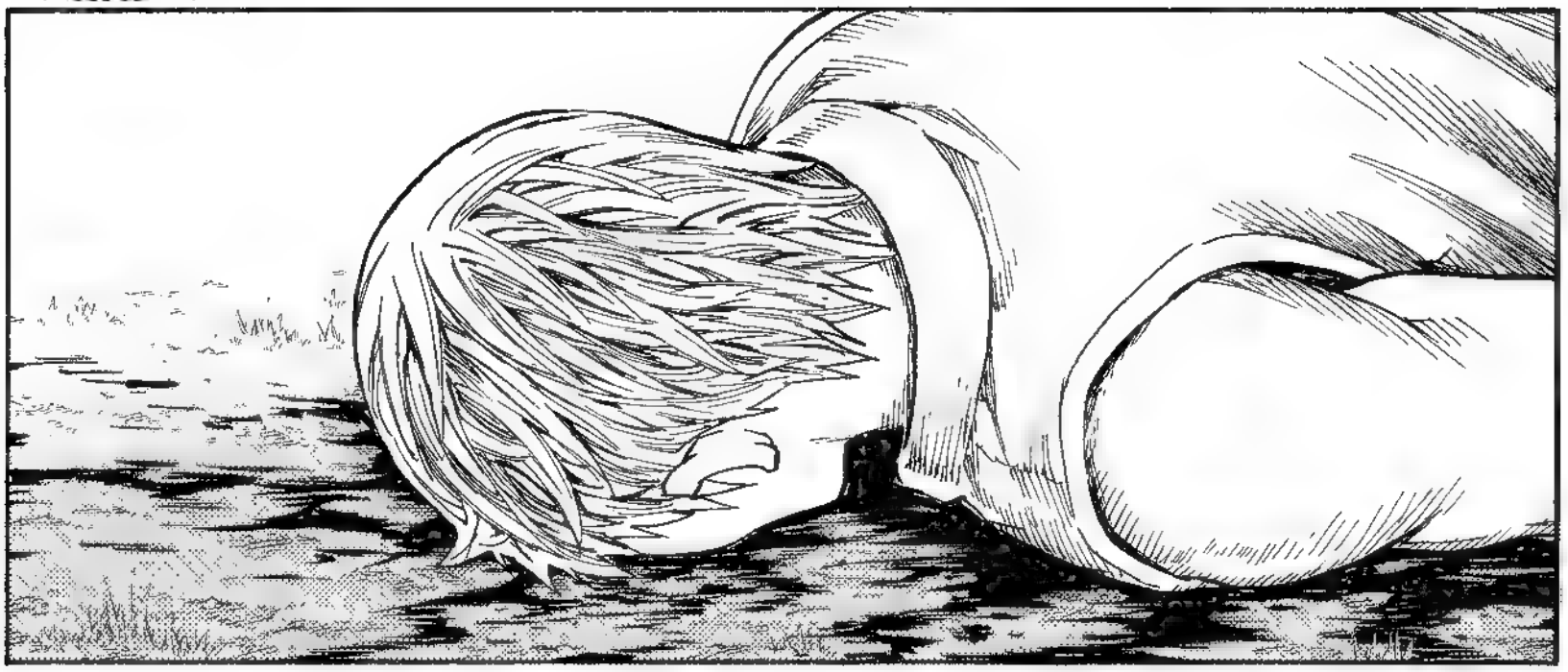
Pat

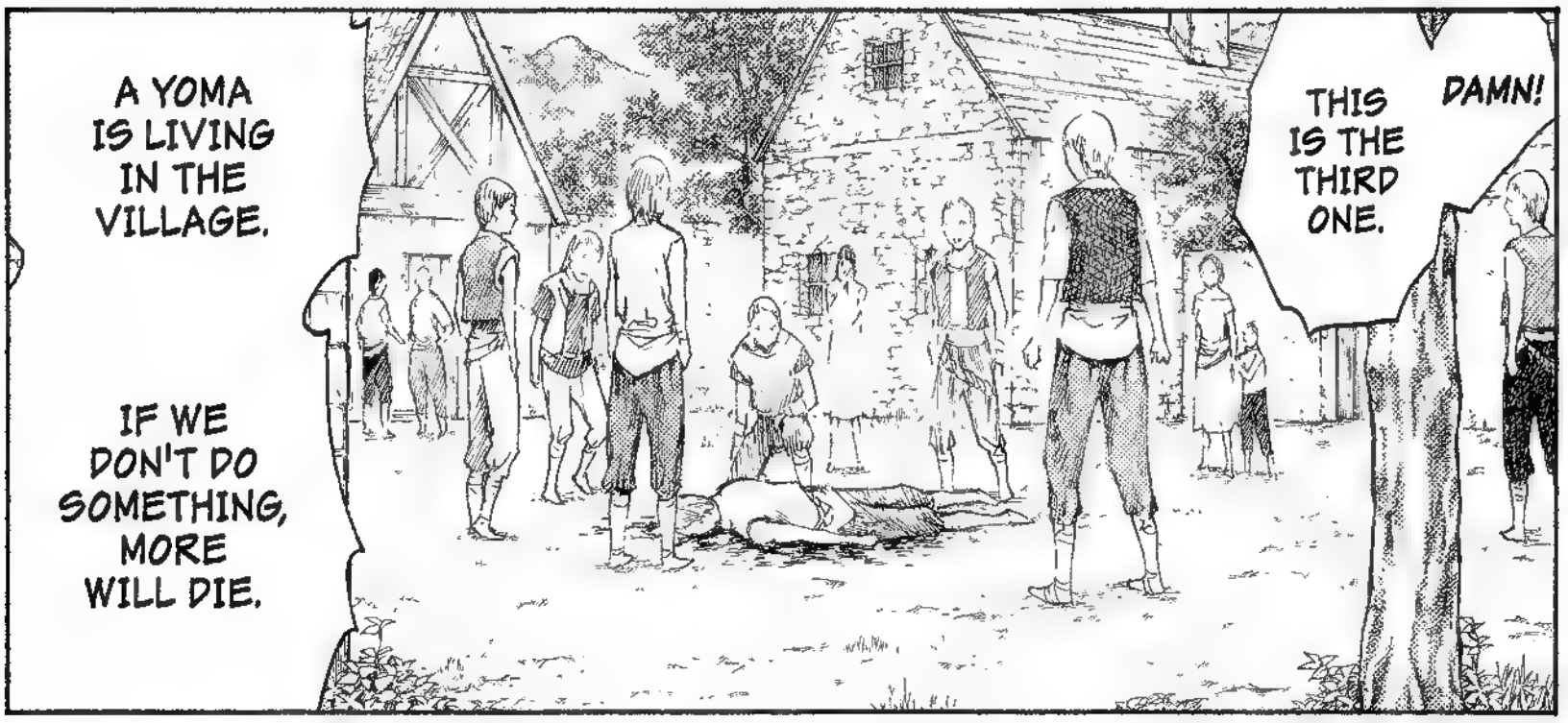
EVERYBODY'S TALKING ABOUT IT.

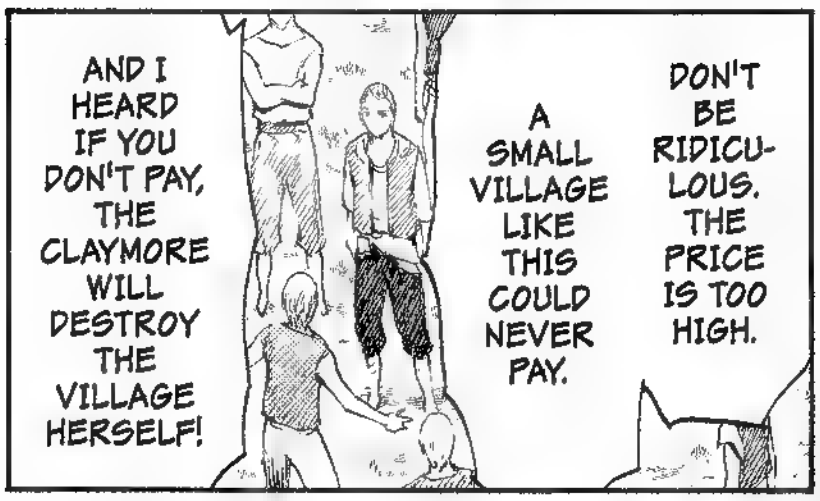
THEY SAY IF SOMETHING APPEARS IN THE VILLAGE, WE'LL HAVE TO CALL ONE.

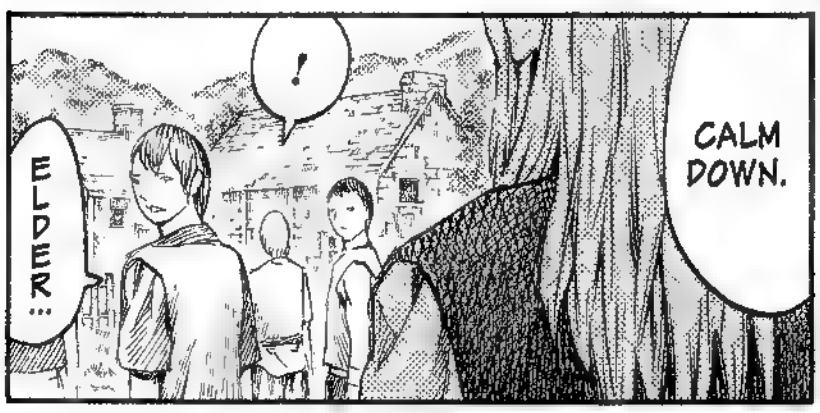
Scene 135: Army of the Underworld, Part 3

READ THIS WAY






AND I HEARD IF YOU DON'T PAY, THE CLAYMORE WILL DESTROY THE VILLAGE HERSELF!
A SMALL VILLAGE LIKE THIS COULD NEVER PAY.
DON'T BE RIDICU-LOUS. THE PRICE IS TOO HIGH.



...A SMALL VILLAGE HAS ITS OWN METHODS.

EVEN IF WE CAN'T CALL A CLAYMORE ...

GA

SHA

WE'LL LOCK THEM IN FOR TWO WEEKS AND IF NOTHING HAPPENS, RELEASE THEM.

YOMA MUST EAT ONCE EVERY TWO WEEKS.

DURING THAT TIME, WE WILL PROVIDE MEALS FROM OUTSIDE.

IF WE DO THAT THREE TIMES, WE'LL HAVE OUR ANSWER IN SIX WEEKS.

WE DON'T KNOW IF THE YOMA IS MAN, WOMAN, YOUNG OR OLD...

...SO WE WILL QUARANTINE FIVE HOUSEHOLDS AT A TIME IN THEIR HOMES.

TOK

TOK

TOK

FIFTEEN FAMILIES LIVE IN THIS VILLAGE.

WHAT IF IT JUST WAITS AND THEN KILLS WHEN IT GETS OUT?!

BUT TWO WEEKS IS JUST AN ESTIMATE!

ANYWAY, IF THERE IS AN INCIDENT OUTSIDE, WE KNOW THE SEPARATED FAMILIES ARE INNOCENT.

THEN AFTER SIX WEEKS, WE START OVER AGAIN AT THE BEGINNING.

...ALL THE BETTER FOR US.

AND IF THE YOMA MANAGES TO FAST DURING THAT TIME...

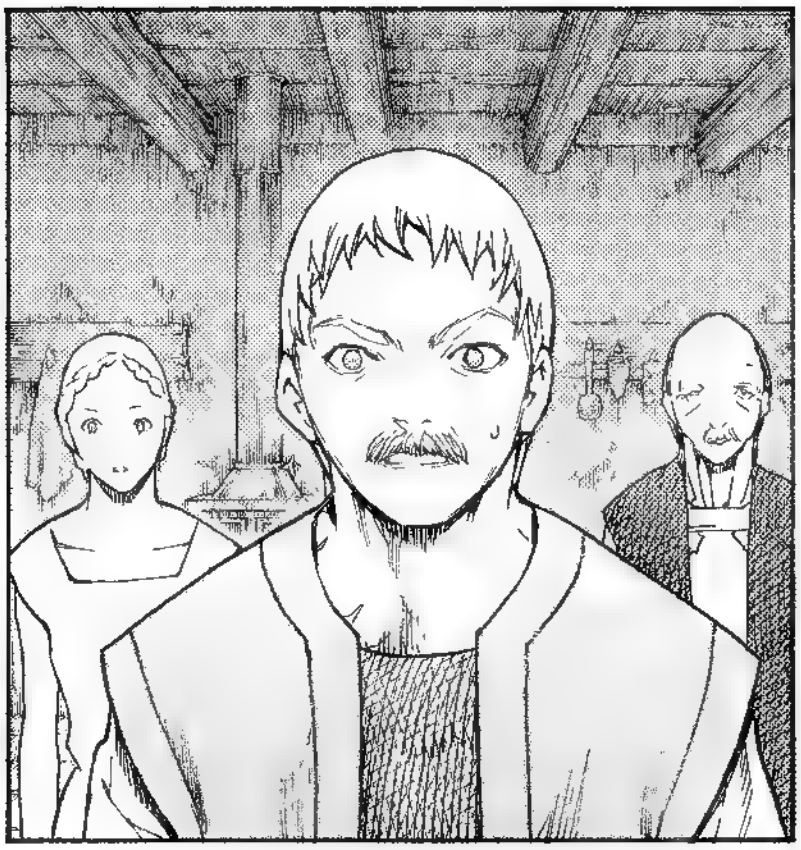
KEEP THIS WITH YOU.

HERE.

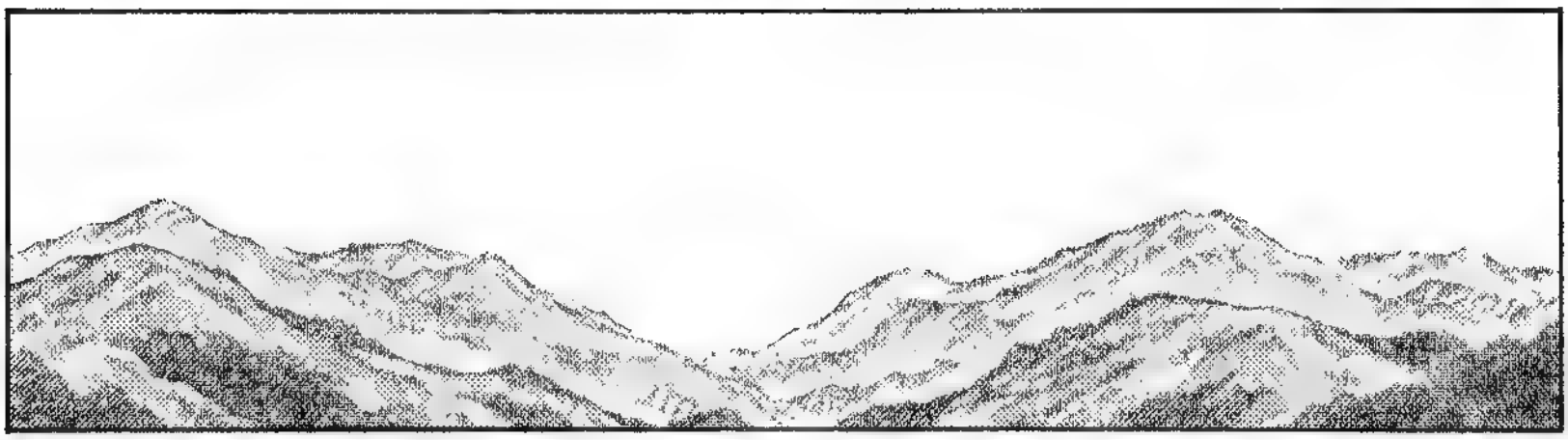
!

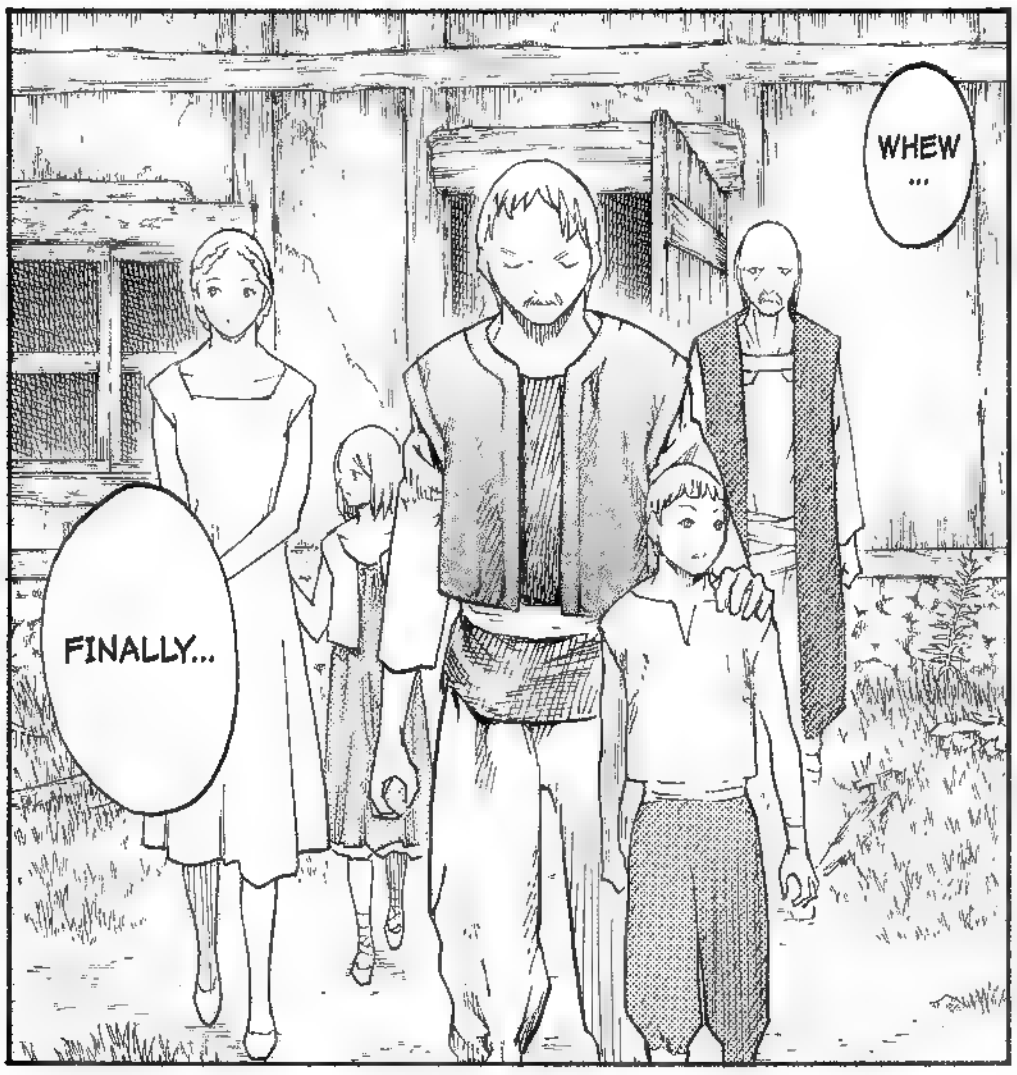
THAT WAY, WE CAN NARROW DOWN THE FAMILIES TO SEPARATE.

EVENTUALLY, WE WILL REACH THE FAMILY WITH A YOMA.



...IT'S THE FAMILY'S RESPON-SIBILITY TO KILL IT.
IF THE YOMA APPEARS INSIDE THE HOUSE...

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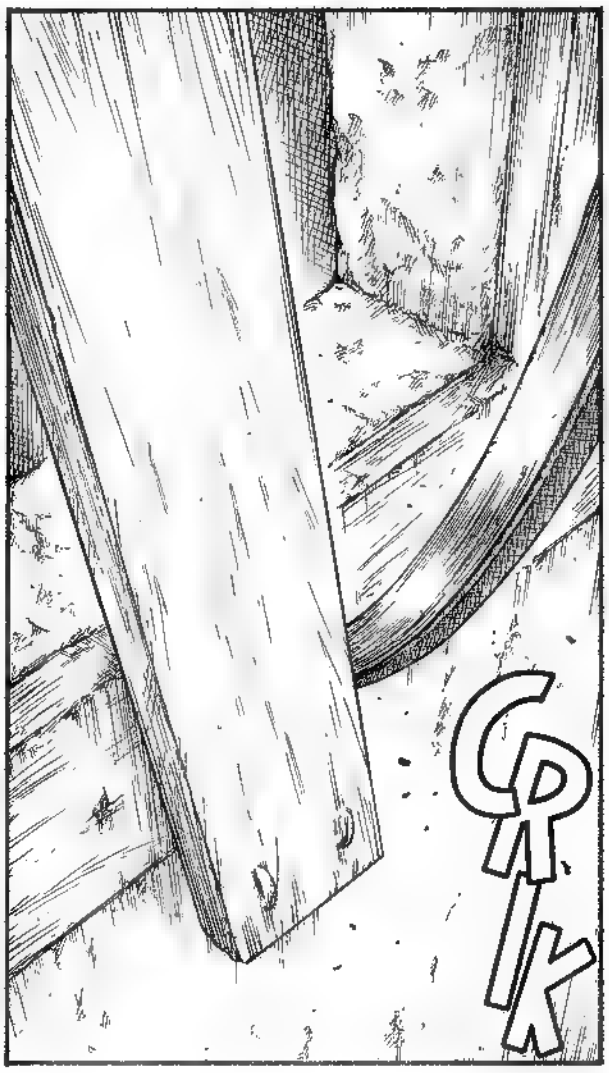
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READ THIS WAY

NO.

IT MUST HAVE IGNORED ITS HUNGER THESE TWO WEEKS.

ANY RESI-DENTS HARMED ?

AWFUL.

I DON'T WANT TO DO IT AGAIN.

...BEING LOCKED UP FOR TWO WEEKS?

WHAT WAS IT LIKE ...

WE DECIDED TO CONFINE FOR FOUR WEEKS OR LONGER ANYONE WHO COMES BACK FROM OUTSIDE.

COULD IT HAVE LEFT THE VILLAGE TO FEED IN ANOTHER TOWN?

NOW, ON TO THE NEXT FIVE FAMILIES ...

IT'S GONE HUNGRY FOR TWO WEEKS.

IT'S AN ISOLATED VILLAGE.

AS A RESULT, NO ONE HAS LEFT THE VILLAGE.

EVEN A YOMA COULDN'T SNEAK TO ANOTHER TOWN AND RETURN IN ONE NIGHT.

...WHEN THE NEXT FIVE FAMILIES ARE CONFINED.

WHETHER INSIDE OR OUT, THERE WILL LIKELY BE AN INCIDENT...

GI SHI

THIS METHOD WILL EVENTUALLY DETERMINE THE FAMILY WITH A YOMA.

BUT IT DOES MAKE SENSE.

THIS IS THE WRONG WAY...

ARGH! HOW COULD THIS HAPPEN?

READ THIS WAY

!

DO WE LOCK THEM IN UNTIL THE YOMA EATS THEM IN THEIR HOME?

BUT WHAT ABOUT THE LAST FAMILY?

RIDICULOUS!

WHO COULD KILL A BELOVED FAMILY MEMBER, EVEN IF IT IS A YOMA?

IT'S THE FAMILY'S DUTY TO KILL IT?

UH...

HM?

WELL ...

LIKE I SAID, YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY.

IT'S ALL RIGHT, PRI-SCILLA.

KU SHA

!

PAPA ...

I'M SCARED ...

WE CAN MAKE IT THROUGH TWO WEEKS.

NOTHING WILL HAPPEN.

MM...

MAMA
PAPA!

?

MAMA
PAPA
I NEED TO PEE

TMP

READ THIS WAY

IT'S GOING TO BE ALL RIGHT...

IT'S ALL RIGHT

IT'S ALL RIGHT...

PA

!

JUST TWO MORE WEEKS...

...I THOUGHT I COULD MAKE IT THROUGH...

...IT WOULD BE ALL RIGHT...

I THOUGHT ...

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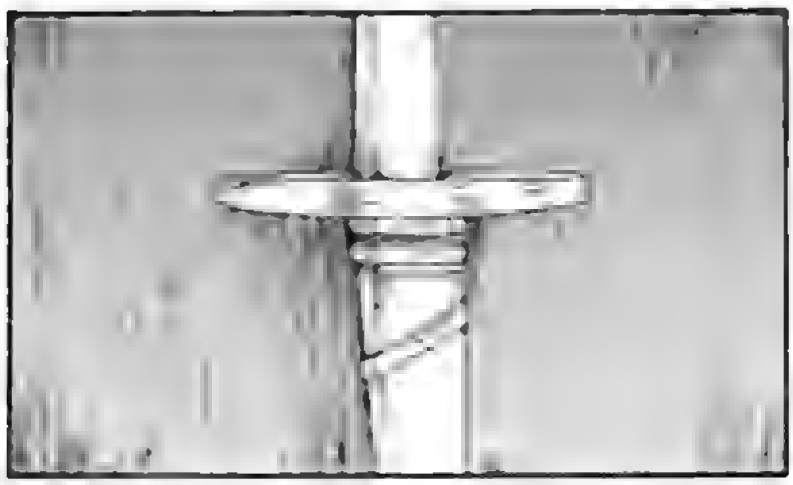

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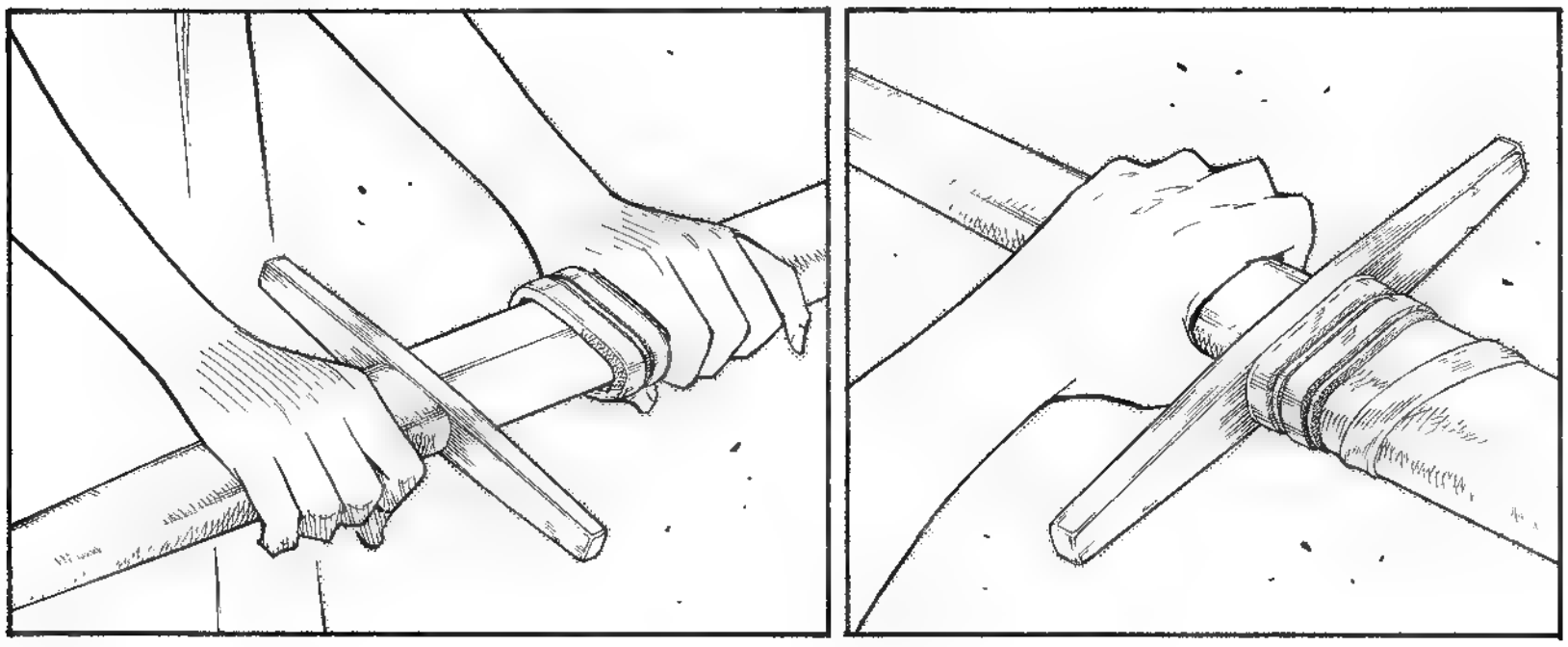

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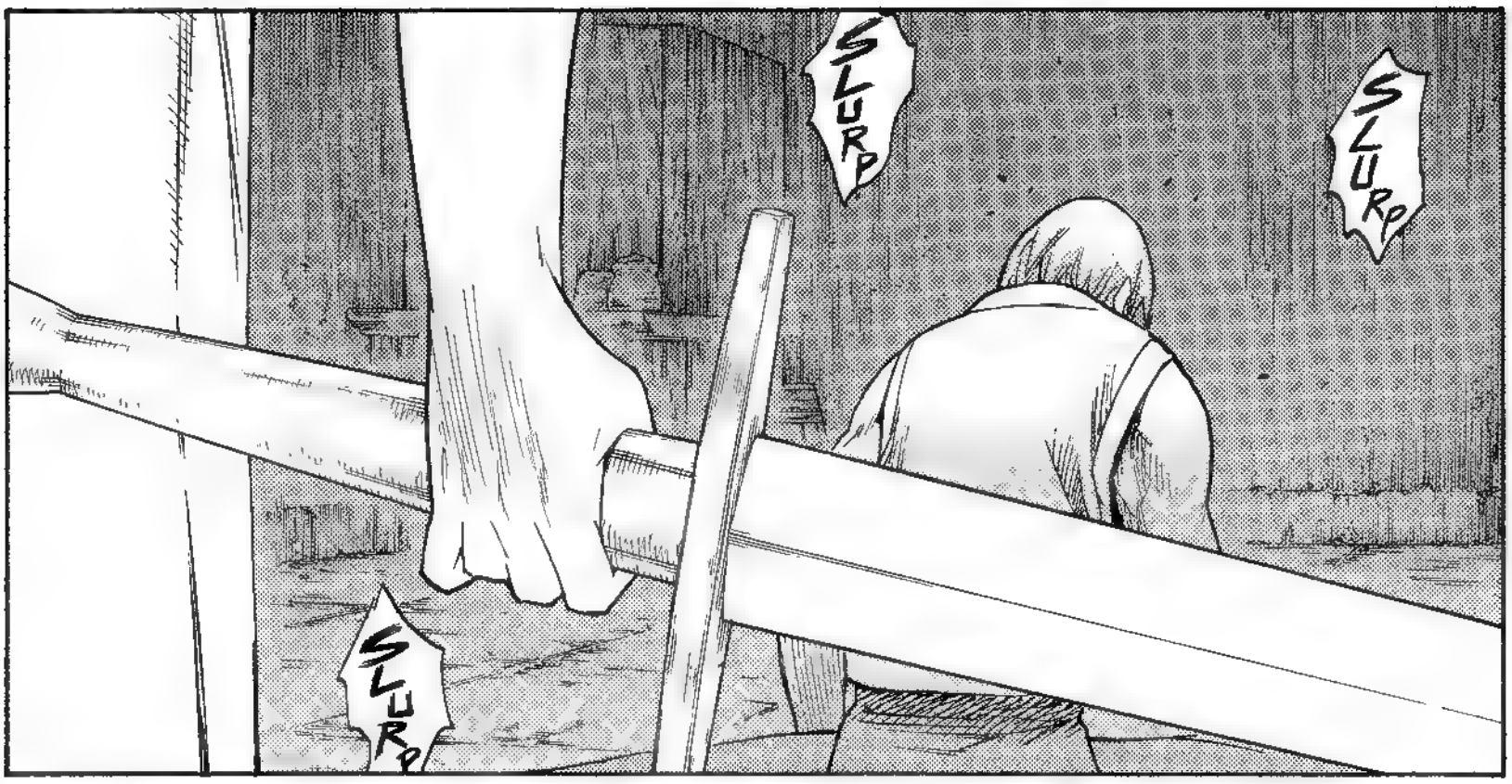

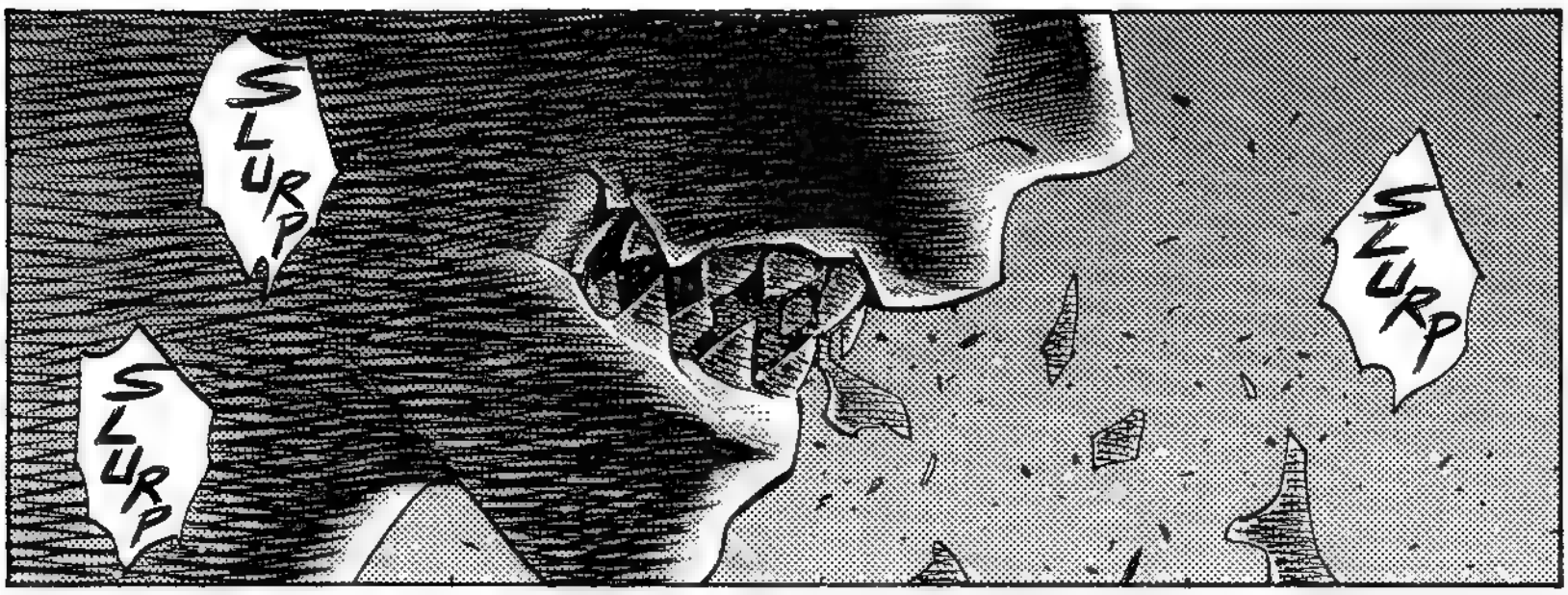

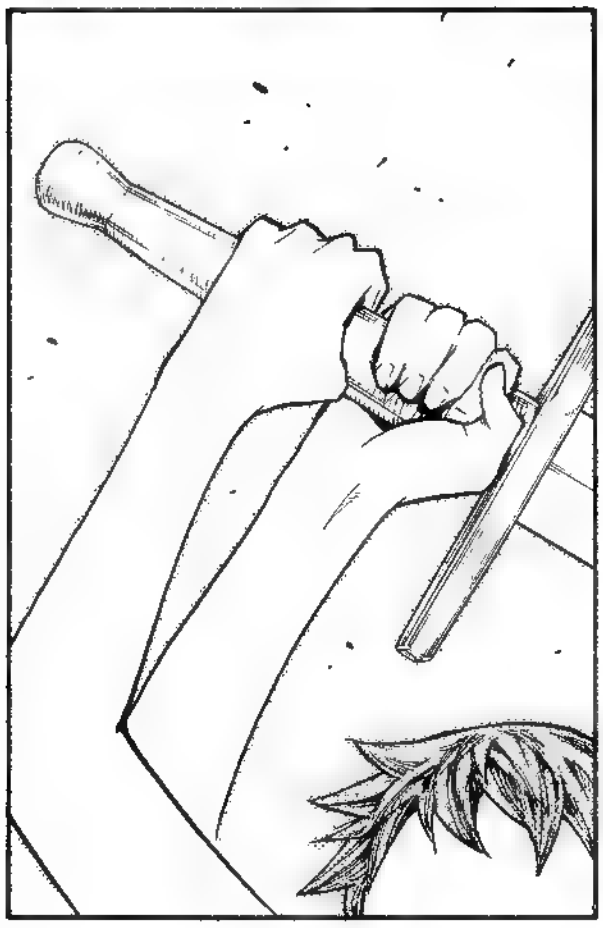

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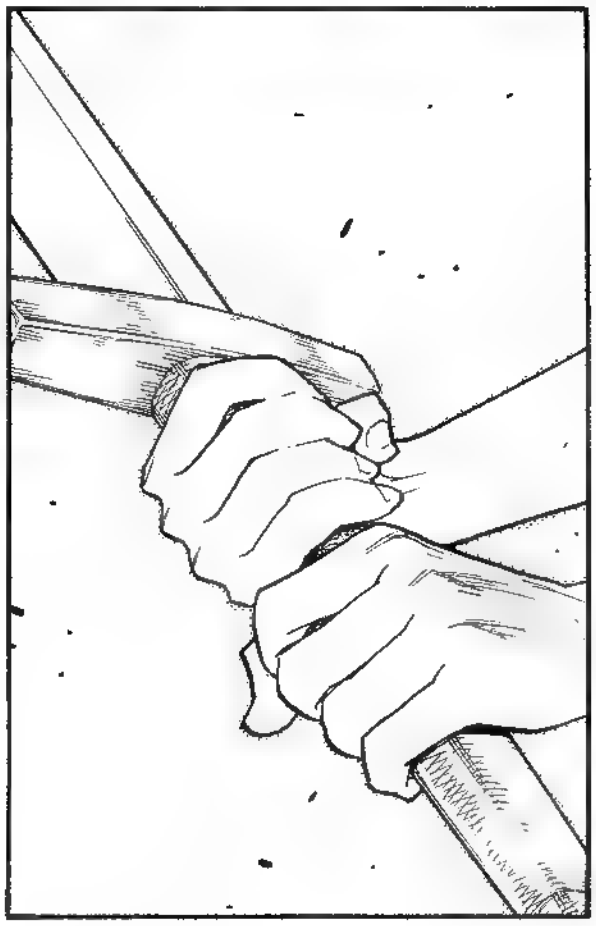

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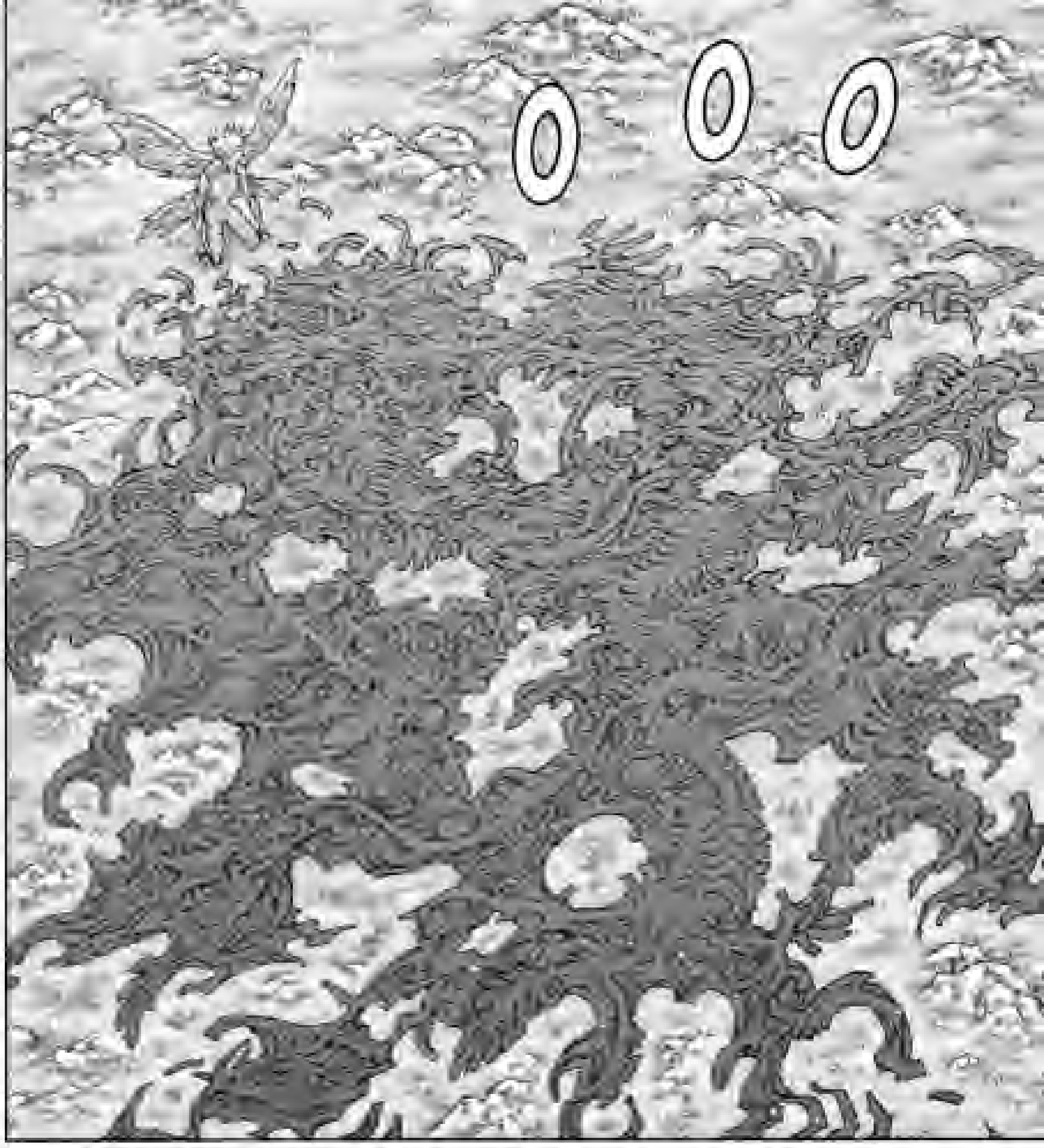
!!
IS SOMETHING HAPPENING OVER THERE...?
WHAT WAS THAT?
H-HEY, CHRONOS ...
WHAT'S GOING ON?
SURELY ...
...SHE ISN'T ...
BESHA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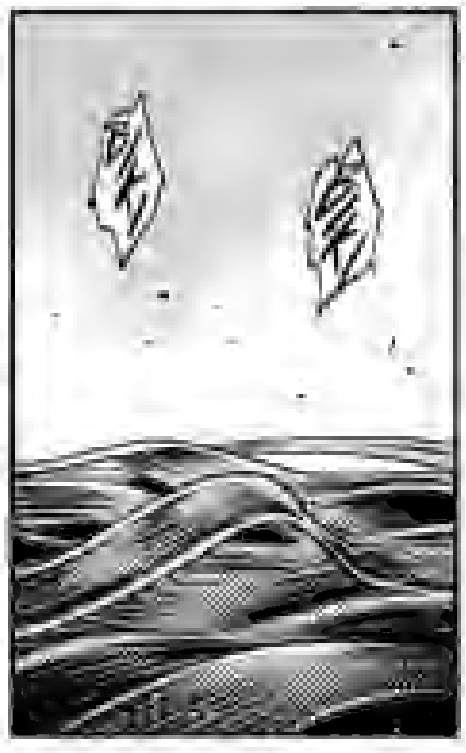

READ THIS WAY

I FEEL MUCH BETTER NOW.

AHH...

THANK YOU.

I OWE IT TO YOU.

I FINALLY VOMITED OUT...

...ALL THAT WAS INFESTING ME.

WHAT ...

WHAT IS SHE SAYING?

DOES THAT MEAN ...

WHAT BORE THE BRUNT OF ALL THOSE ATTACKS WAS THE OTHER MONSTER LIVING INSIDE THAT BODY...

...AND A FIGHT CONTINUED INSIDE THE WHOLE TIME.

NO MATTER HOW BIG THE MONSTER INFESTING THAT BODY WAS...

...IT WAS FIGHTING TWO MONSTERS OF AT LEAST EQUAL POWER AT THE SAME TIME...

...AND THIS WAS THE NATURAL RESULT.

SORRY.

I...

...USED YOU.

READ THIS WAY

GRIN

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FINALLY ...

...WHAT WAS IN THE WAY...

...IS GONE.

NOW ...

NOW...

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...I CAN HIT WITH ALL I'VE GOT.

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OH...

...WHAT A CHARMING THING TO SAY.

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THERE'S THE MASTERPIECE YOU HAVE SOUGHT.

ARE YOU SATISFIED?

SO?

I AM WITNESSING A FIGHT BETWEEN POWERS THAT SURPASS ABYSSAL ONES.

THIS IS QUITE A SIGHT!

READ THIS WAY

IT'S FUNNY...

TRULY AMUSING.

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HEH HEH HEH...

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HER NAME IS PRISCILLA.

SHE'S AN UNUSUAL GIRL WITH AN ODD PAST.

OH, I JUST REMEM-BERED.

クレイモア
Claymore

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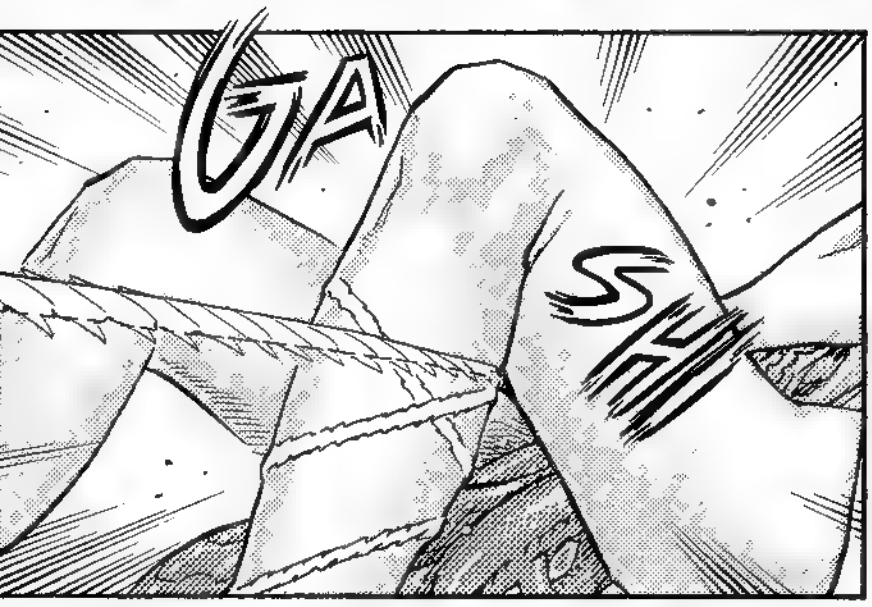

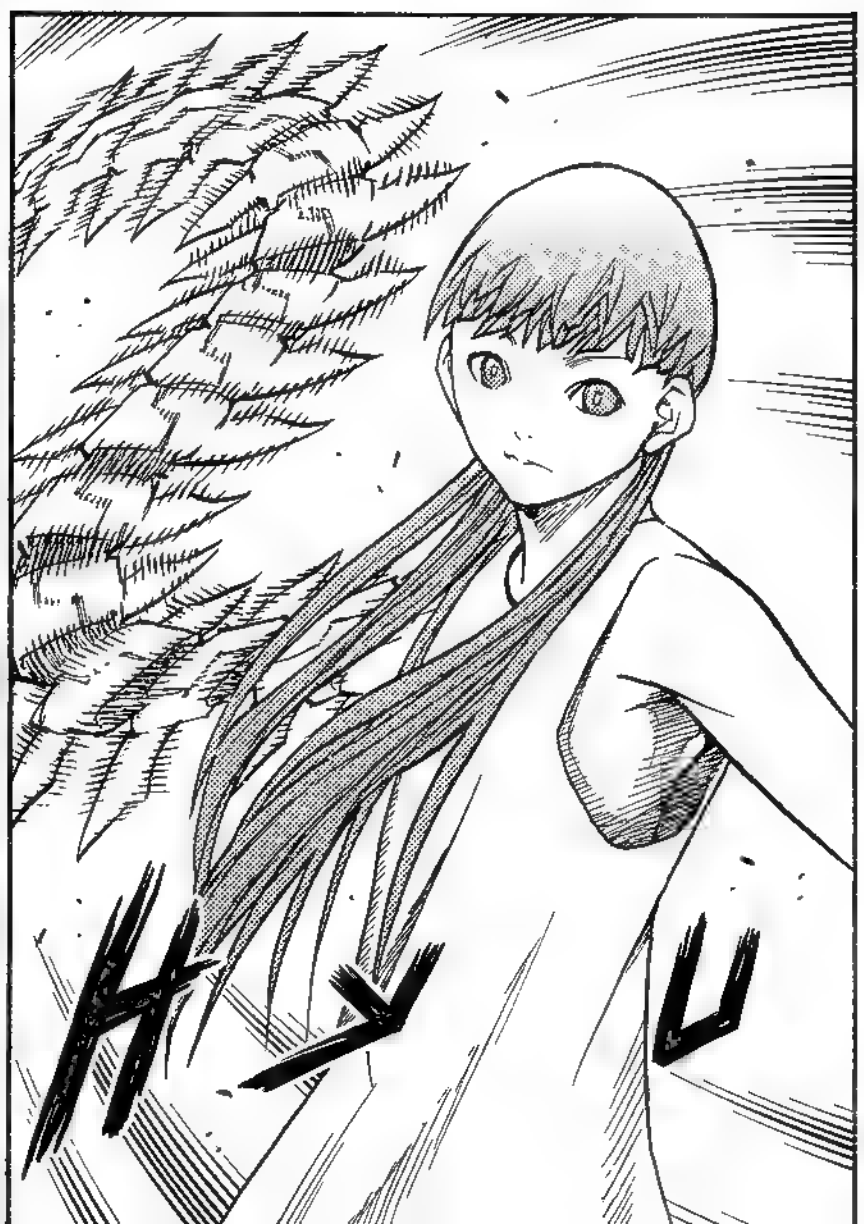

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THERE'S NO ROOM FOR US!

YEAH! WOW! AN ALL-OUT ASSAULT!

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THIS IS JUST WHAT YOU PLANNED.

WE SURE PUT THEM IN THE MOOD. IT'S AWESOME!

WHAT'S WRONG, MIRIA?

...

MY GOAL WAS TO DRAW OUT CASSANDRA, BUT THIS...

N-NO ...

THEY'RE SO EVENLY MATCHED THAT THE WINNER WILL ONLY BARELY SURVIVE.

PRISCILLA IS FIGHTING AN UNKNOWN BEING.

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SUPPOSE THIS LEADS TO DEFEATING HER.

IT DOESN'T MATTER, DOES IT?

NO...

...EVEN THOSE MEN LOOKING FROM AFAR COULD FINISH HER OFF.

IN THAT CASE, THOSE HERE...

...

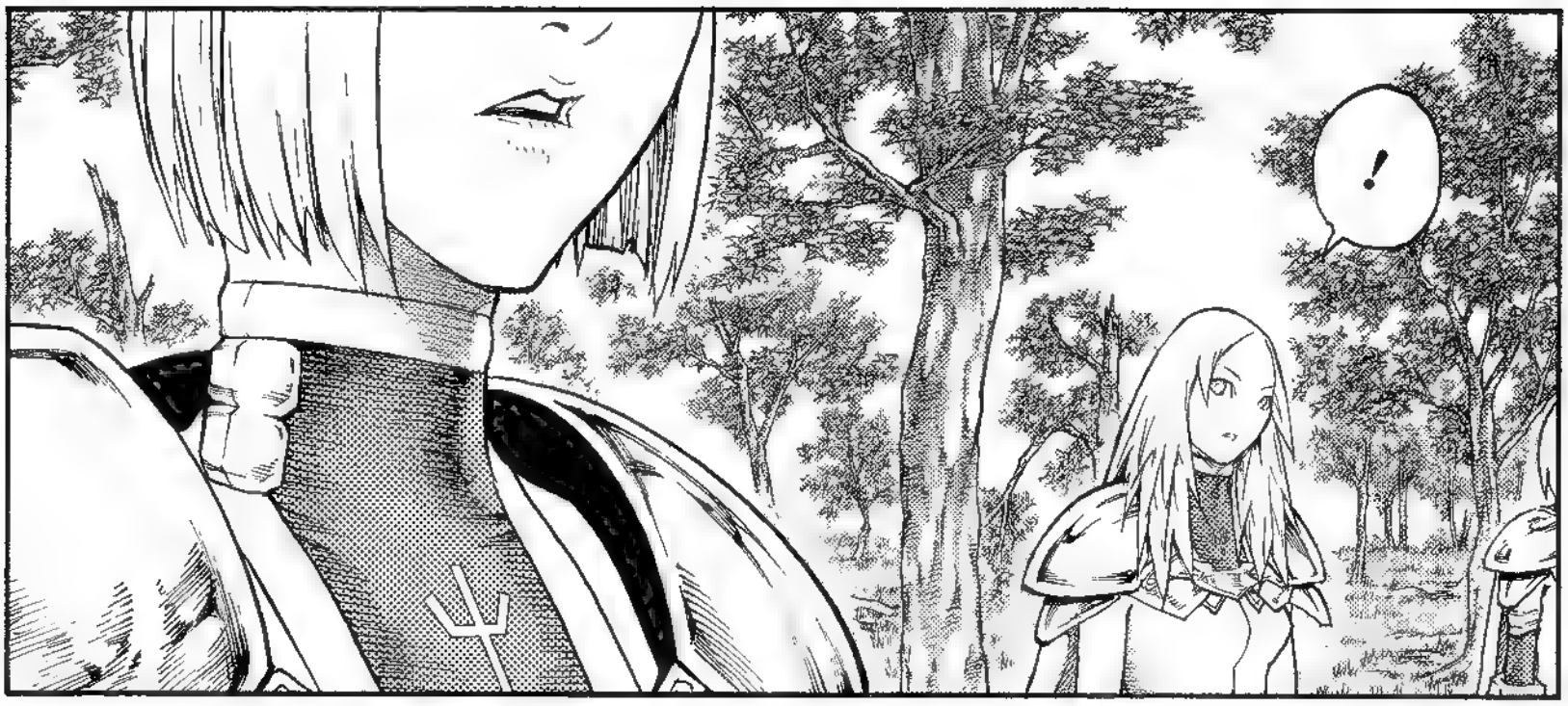
...BUT SOMETHING BOTHERS ME.

IT'S ALL GOING WELL...

...BUT WE COULD...

...FINISH THEM OFF ONE BY ONE.

AS A RESULT, THE AWAKENED BEINGS GATHERED HERE WOULD SURVIVE...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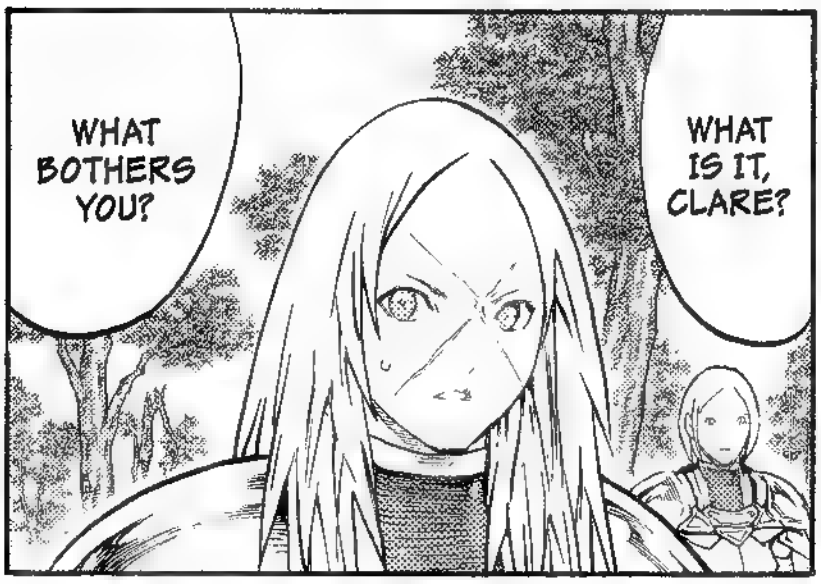
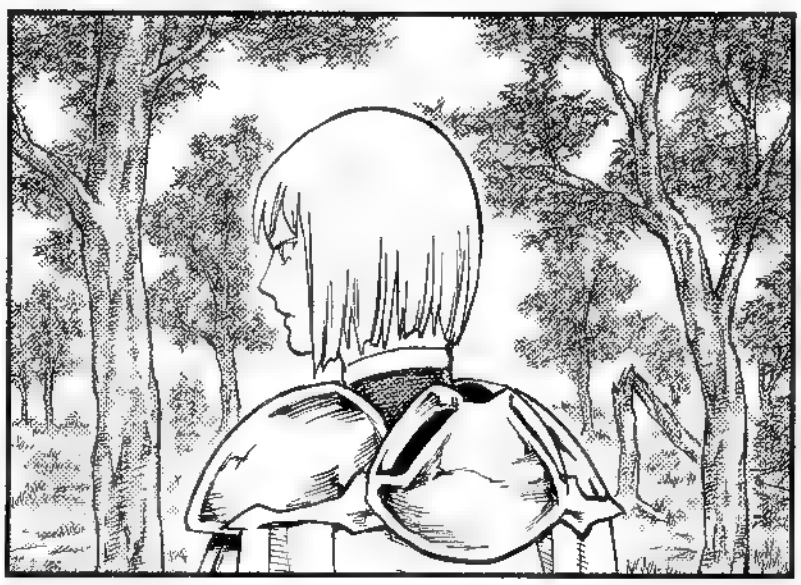
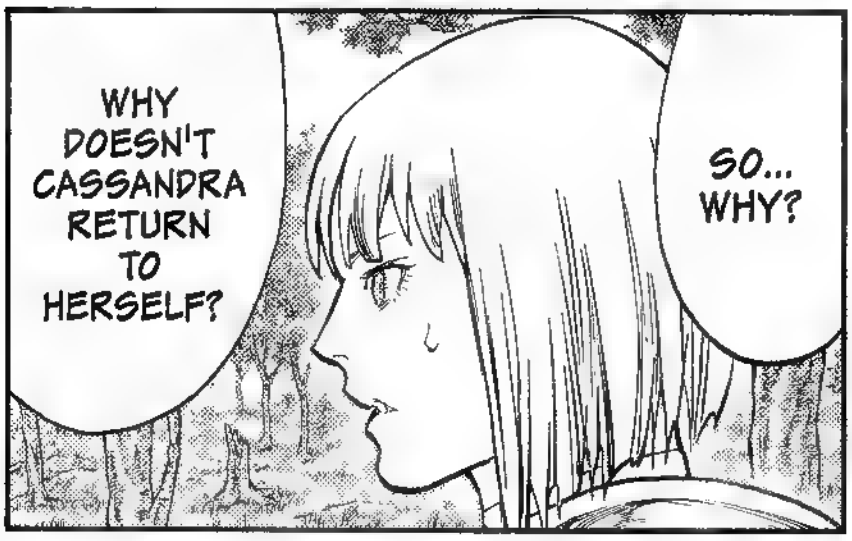
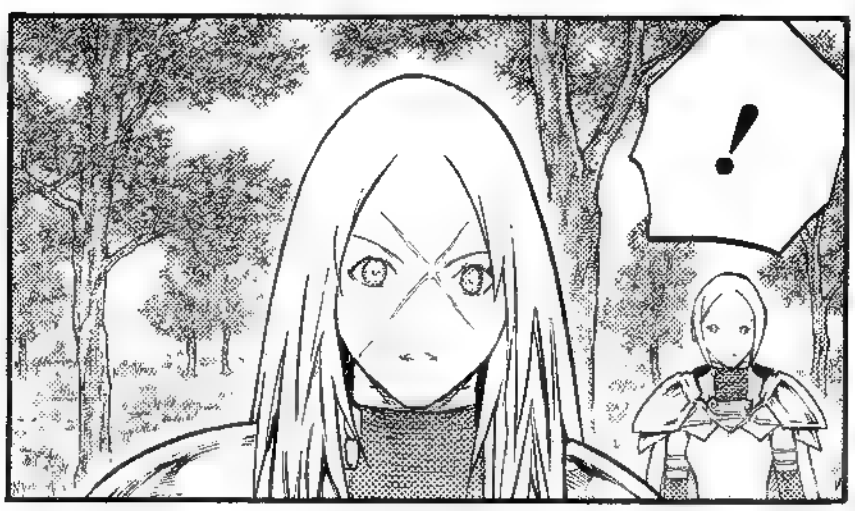

WHAT BOTHERS YOU?
WHAT IS IT, CLARE?




WHY DOESN'T CASSANDRA RETURN TO HERSELF?
SO... WHY?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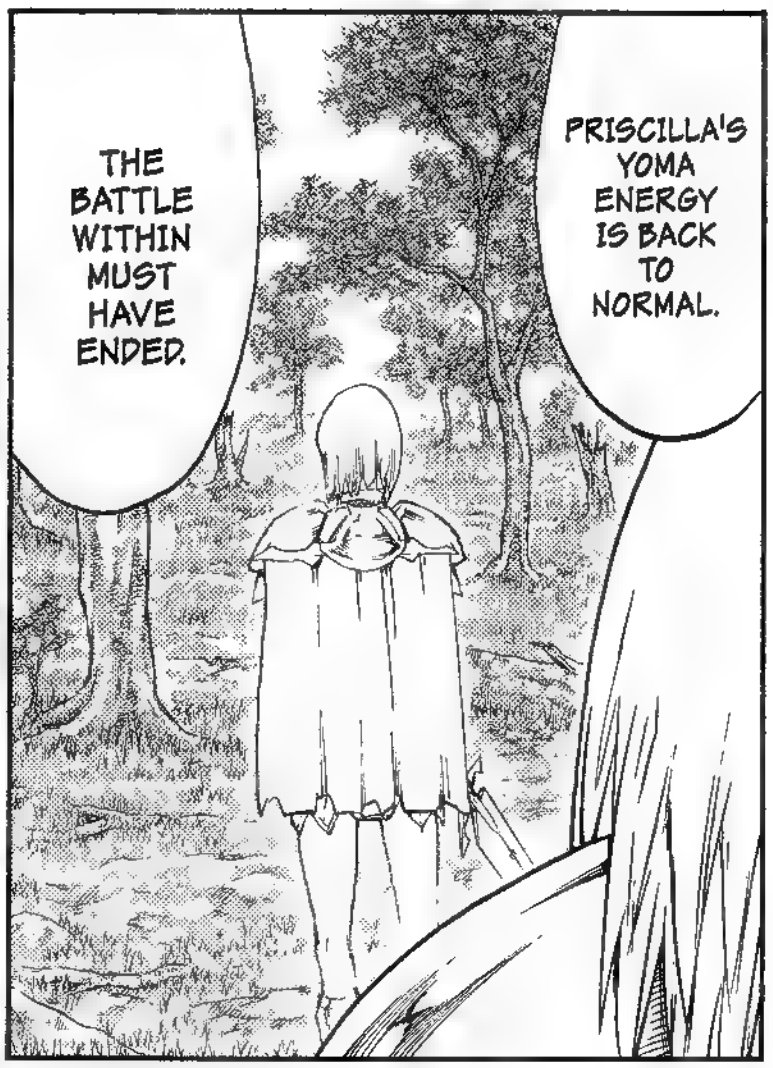
THE BATTLE WITHIN MUST HAVE ENDED.
PRISCILLA'S YOMA ENERGY IS BACK TO NORMAL.

READ THIS WAY

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I'M F-FINE...

I'M JUST A LITTLE TIRED...

WE'VE COME THIS FAR...

...AND CAN'T FIND EVEN A FRAGMENT OF CASSANDRA'S WILL.

WHAT'S GOING ON?

SO WHAT THE HELL IS IN THERE?!

WE'VE STOPPED HER, AND PRISCILLA HAS ALREADY BEEN RELEASED, YET CASSANDRA'S OWN EGO HASN'T RETURNED.

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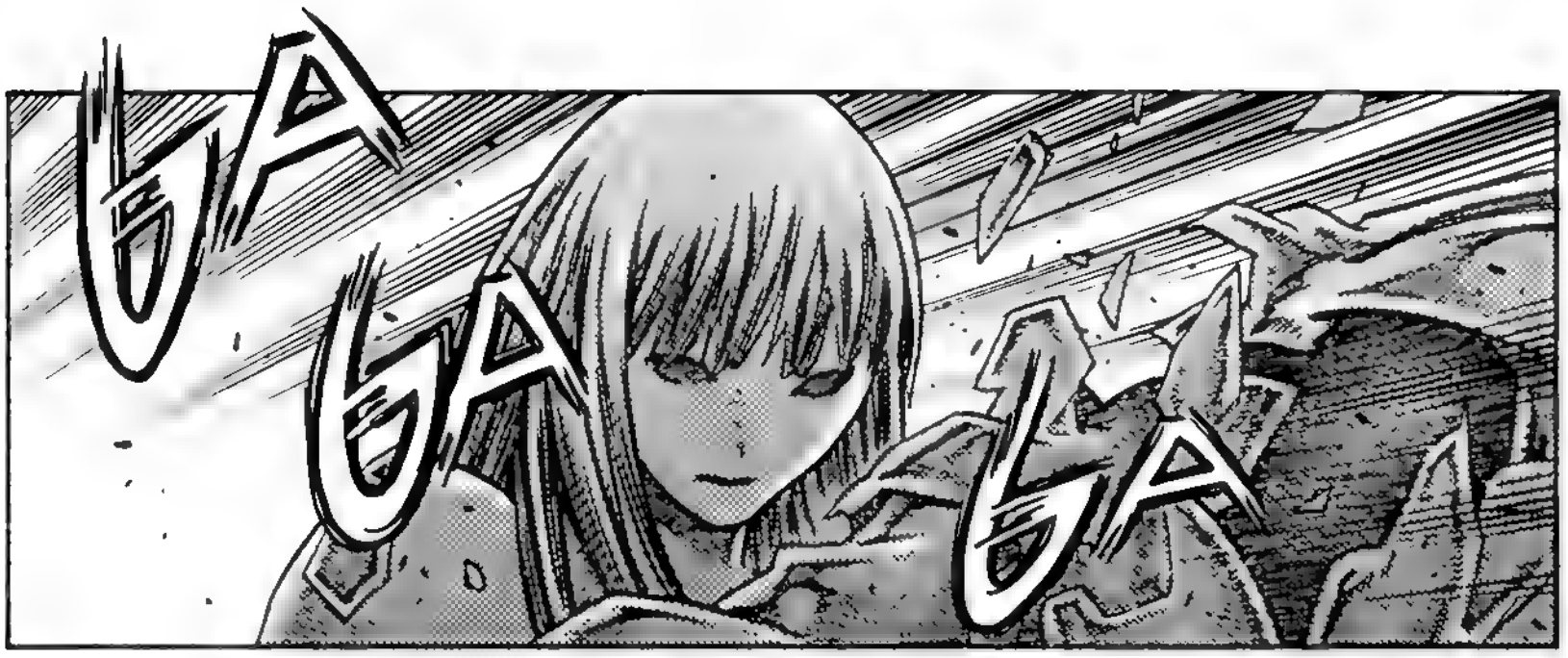
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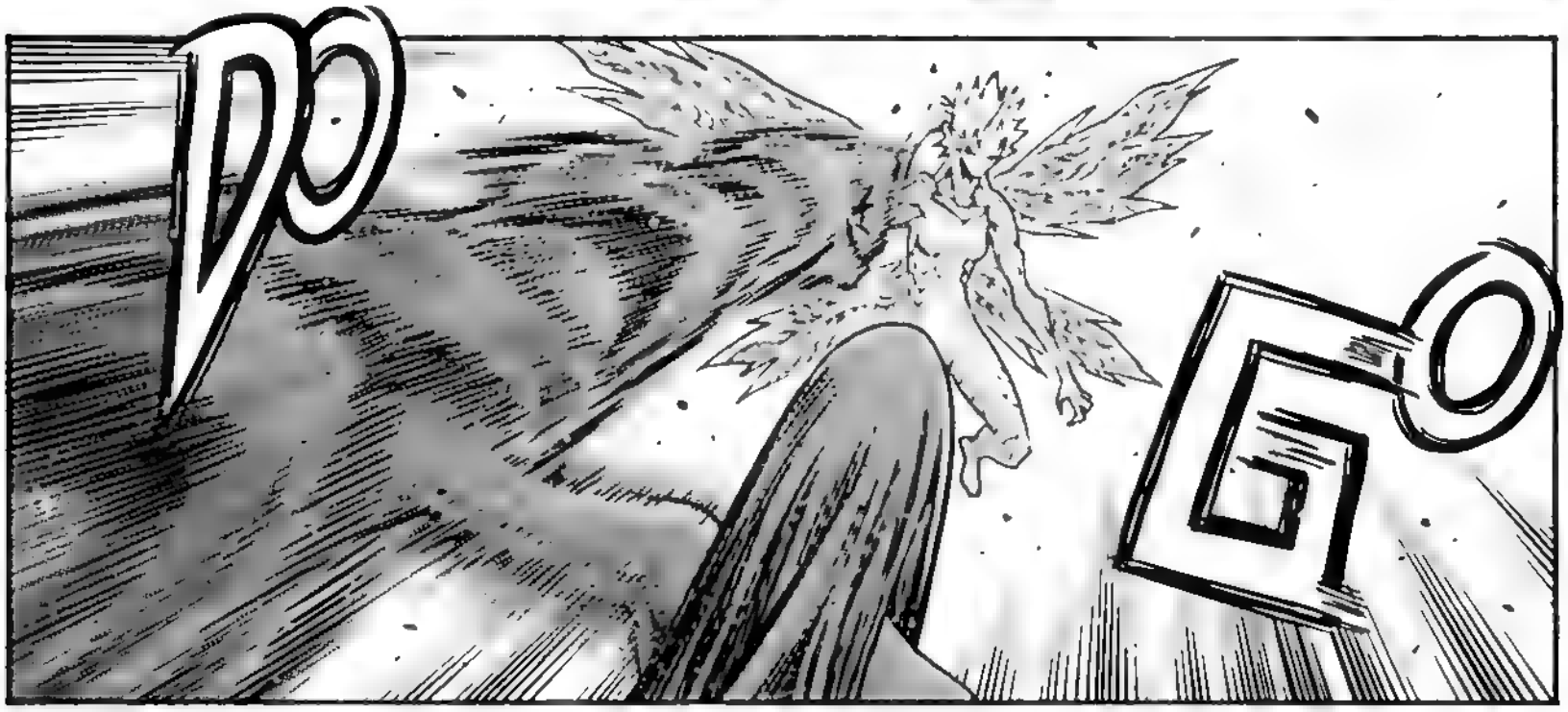
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...STEM FROM THEIR HATRED TOWARD YOMA.

I BELIEVE THE DIFFERENCES IN STRENGTH BETWEEN WARRIORS...

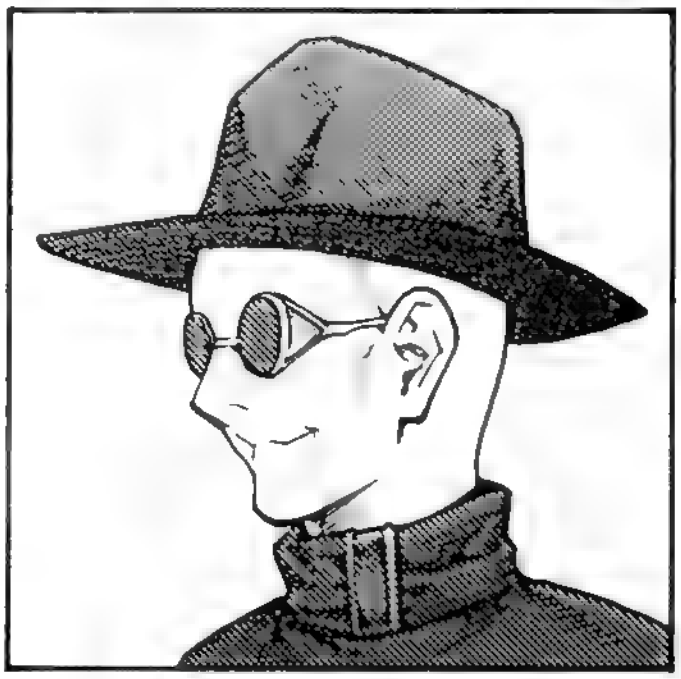
...DIVIDES THEM INTO OFFENSIVE AND DEFENSIVE TYPES.

NONETHELESS, WHAT FLOWS UNDERNEATH IS HOW MUCH THEY HATE YOMA.

WHETHER OR NOT THEY DESIRE TO KILL YOMA WITH THEIR OWN HANDS...

SOMETIMES WE ENCOURAGED THOSE EXPERIENCES OURSELVES...

ASIDE FROM THE TWINS, WE TRIED TO MAKE INTO WARRIORS THOSE WHO HAD GRUESOME EXPERIENCES WITH YOMA.



BUT SHE SHOWED A CLEAR DIFFERENCE FROM THE WARRIORS WHO WERE ORPHANS WE HAD PICKED UP HERE AND THERE AND RAISED.

...AND NOT A FEW LOST THEMSELVES AND THEIR LIVES SIMPLY FROM HAVING YOMA FLESH EMBEDDED IN THEM.

MANY OF THE HIGHER-RANKING WARRIORS HAVE SUCH STORIES.

THAT'S NOTHING RARE.

...KILLED WITH HER OWN HANDS A YOMA IN THE FORM OF HER FATHER.

I JUST REMEMBERED. THE FORMER NUMBER 2 NAMED PRISCILLA ...

...THAT WHAT SHE KILLED WAS NOT A YOMA...

...BUT HER VERY OWN FATHER.

I BELIEVE SHE LEARNED ...

BUT IT GETS EVEN MORE INTEREST-ING.

YES.

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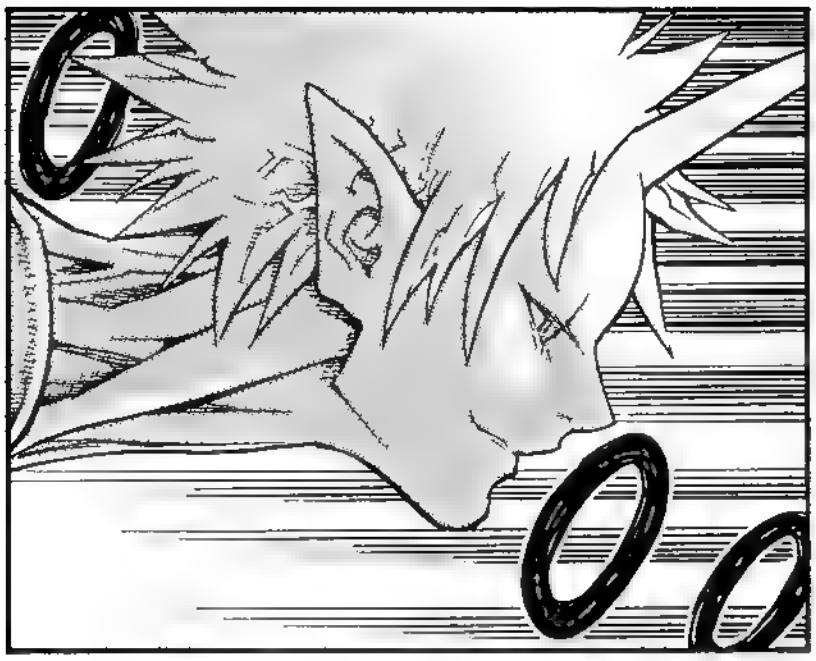

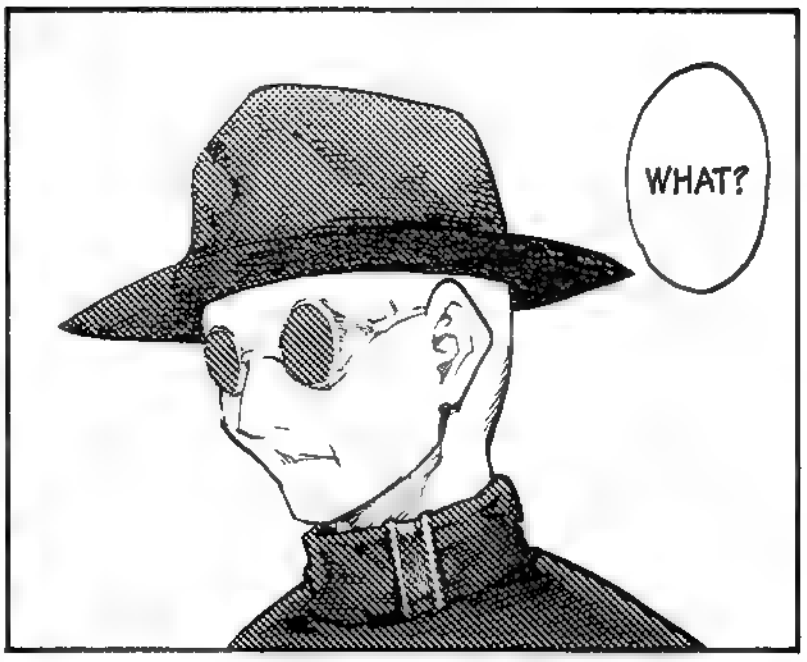
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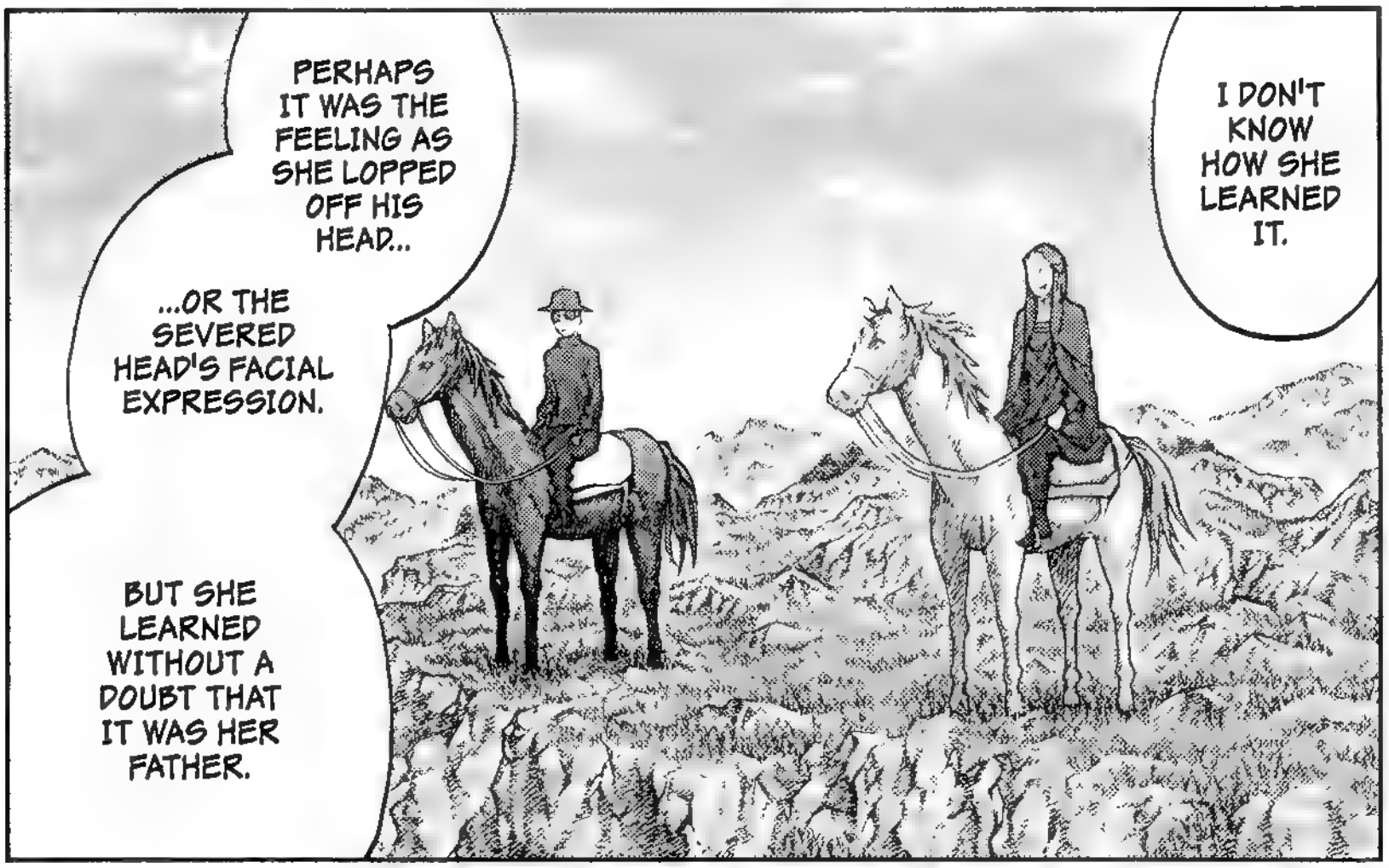
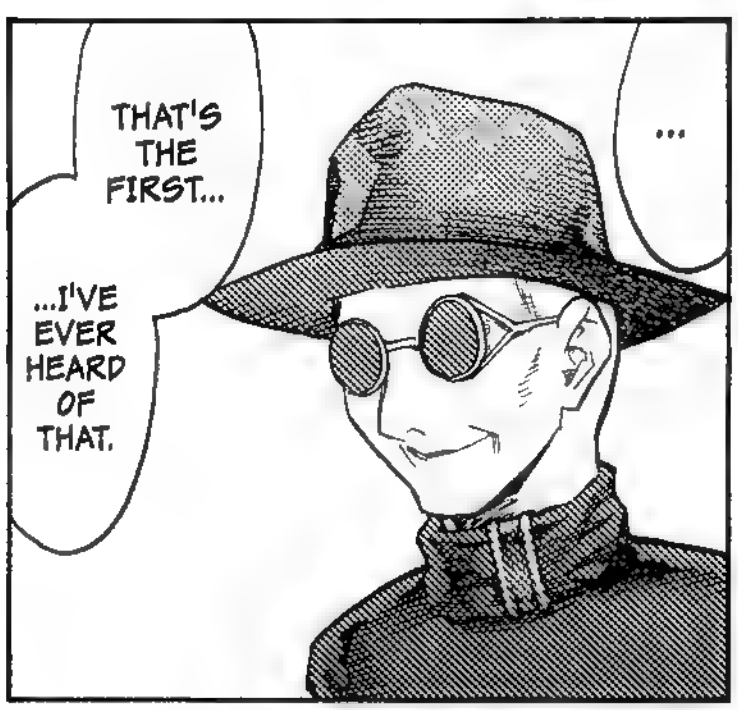

PERHAPS IT WAS THE FEELING AS SHE LOPPED OFF HIS HEAD...
...OR THE SEVERED HEAD'S FACIAL EXPRESSION.
BUT SHE LEARNED WITHOUT A DOUBT THAT IT WAS HER FATHER.
I DON'T KNOW HOW SHE LEARNED IT.


THAT'S THE FIRST...
...I'VE EVER HEARD OF THAT.
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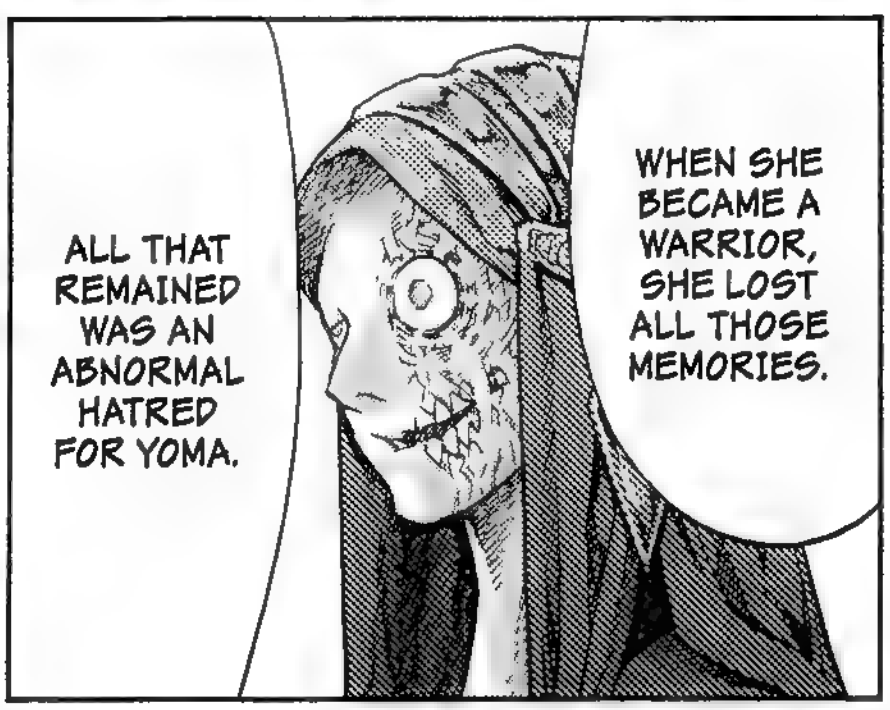
ALL THAT REMAINED WAS AN ABNORMAL HATRED FOR YOMA.
WHEN SHE BECAME A WARRIOR, SHE LOST ALL THOSE MEMORIES.

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THE WARRIOR'S HATRED FOR YOMA AND DISGUST FOR HERSELF...

...ARE THE FOUNT OF AN INHUMAN AND TWISTED STRENGTH.

...YET THEY CARRY YOMA WITHIN THEIR BODIES.

THEY HAVE AN EXTREME HATRED FOR YOMA...

...WERE AT CONFLICT AND SOMETIMES BLENDING WITHIN HER, GIVING BIRTH TO AN INTENSE AND EVIL POWER.

A PURE HATRED AND DISGUST THAT EVEN SHE CANNOT UNDERSTAND...

BUT PRISCILLA STANDS FAR ABOVE THEM.

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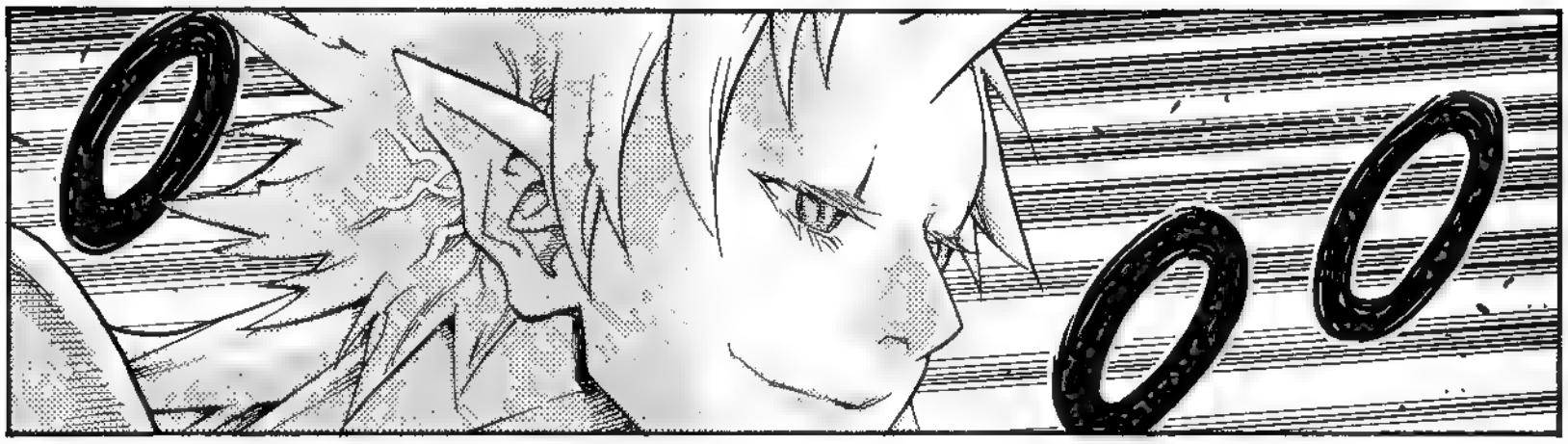

...REALLY REGEN-ERATION?

IS THAT...

TH-THAT...

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SHE RECOVERS IN AN INSTANT...

...NO MATTER HOW MUCH DAMAGE SHE SUSTAINS.

INCRED-IBLE...

READ THIS WAY

WHAT?

CONTAINING THAT ENDLESSLY OVERFLOWING, MONSTROUS LIFE-FORM...

...WITHIN THAT PRACTICALLY HUMAN FORM MAY BE A SIGN OF PRISCILLA'S MIRACULOUS STRENGTH.

THIS IS JUST A THEORY, BUT WHAT LOOKS LIKE REGENERATION IS A MANIFESTATION OF THE HATRED WELLING UP INSIDE PRISCILLA.

NO ONE CAN.

THAT'S WHY I SAID IT'S AMUSING.

THAT IS GOD'S DOMAIN.

WHO CAN WIN AGAINST THAT?

YOU MEAN IT ISN'T REGENER-ATION BUT CREATION ?

EVEN DETACHED, IT HAD THE POWER TO ANIMATE THREE ABYSSAL ONES.

THE LEFT HAND THAT SHE HERSELF SEVERED CONTAINED HER VITAL FORCE.

THUS, PRISCILLA'S INFLUENCE FURTHER STRENGTHENED ...

...SO THAT CASSANDRA IS NOW PRACTICALLY HER DOUBLE.

BY EATING ROXANNE, CASSANDRA GAINED THE SOURCE OF THEIR POWER.

...THAT ISN'T THE RIGHT EXPRESSION.

NO...

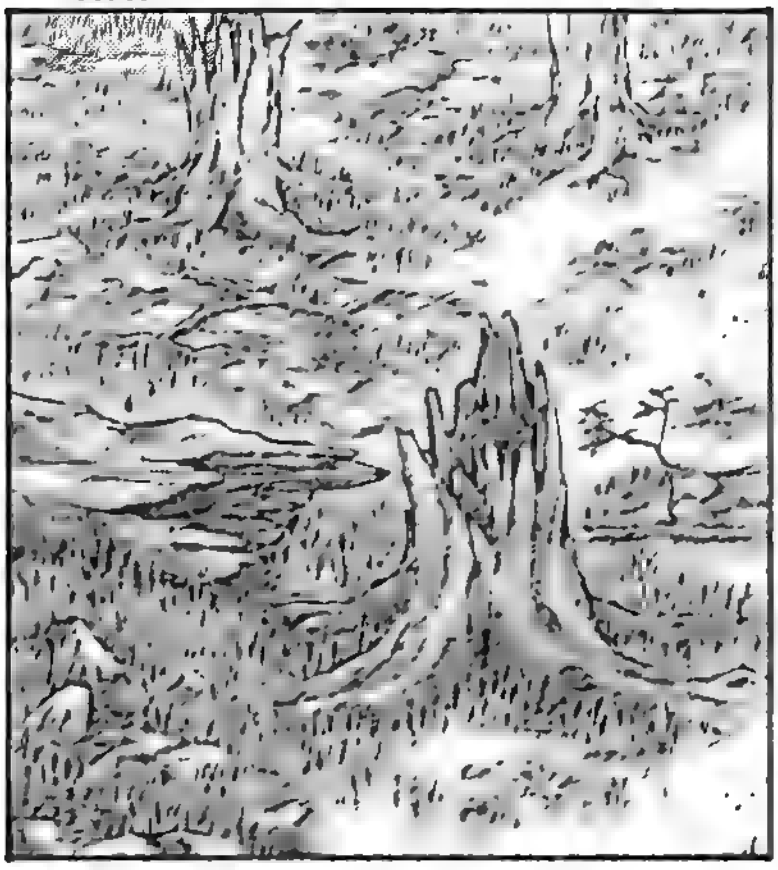
...AND THAT WILL BE PRISCILLA'S *TRUE FORM.*

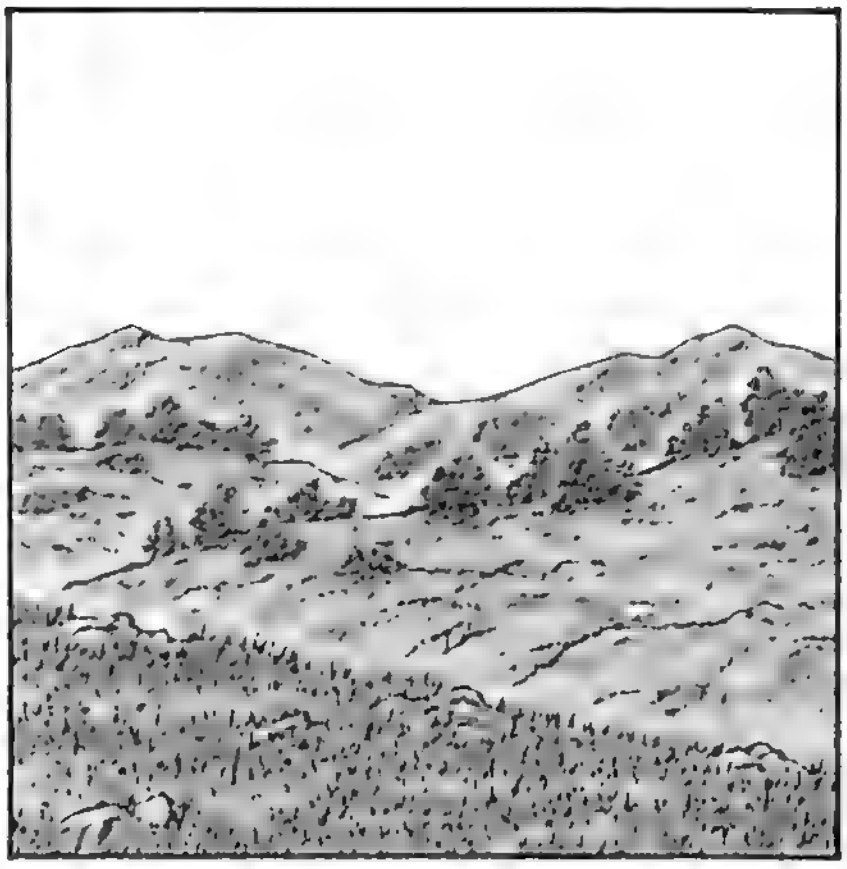
SHE WILL STAND ABOVE ALL AWAKENED BEINGS...

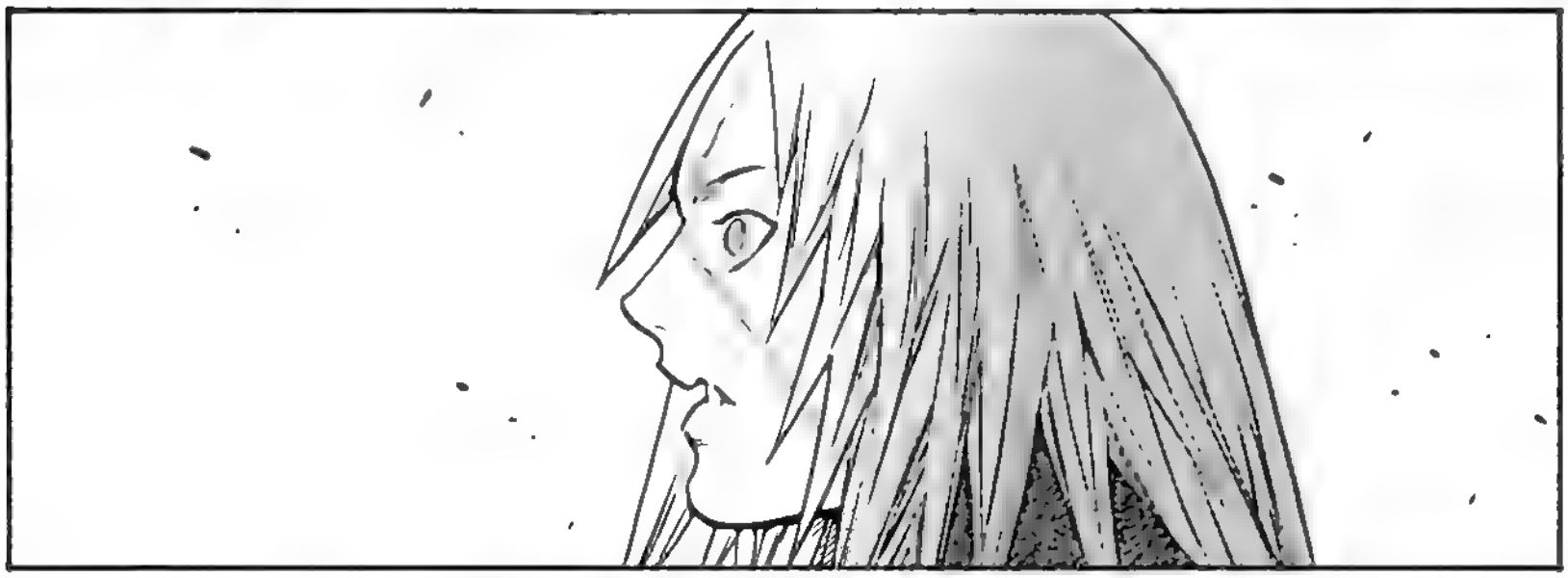
BY ENCOUNTER-ING THE ORIGINAL ...

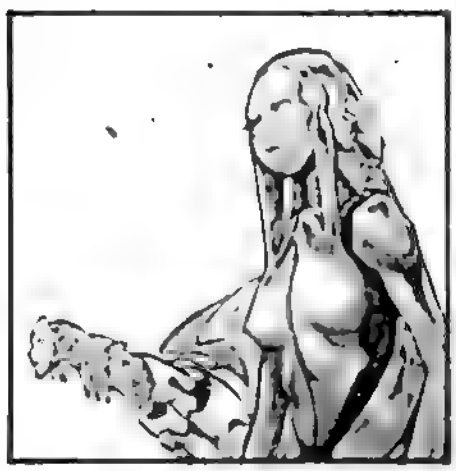
...SHE WILL BE REBORN WITH EVEN GREATER POWER.

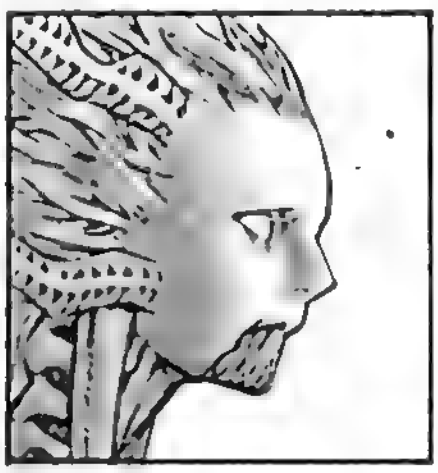
READ THIS WAY

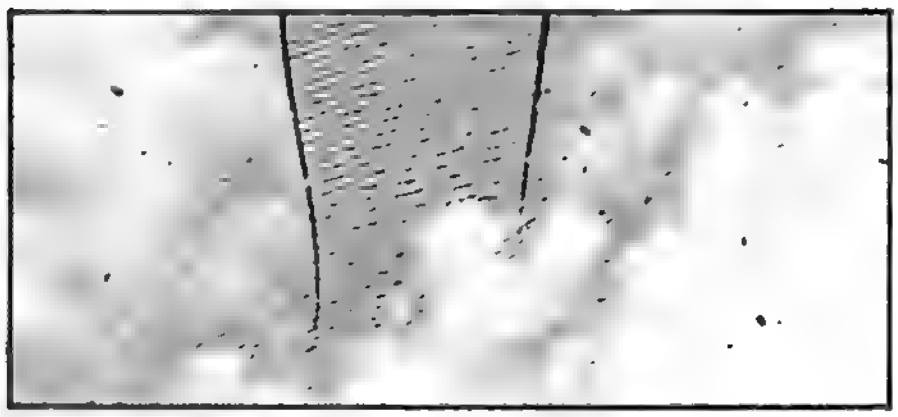


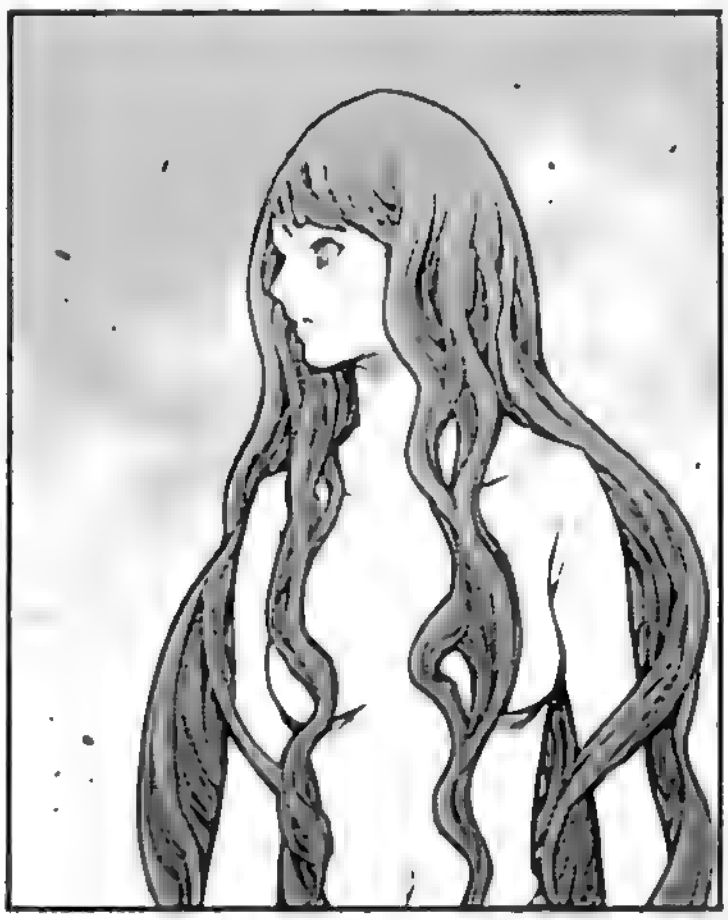












IT STOOD UP...

WHAT...

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OH...

...YOU CAN STAND?

AH!

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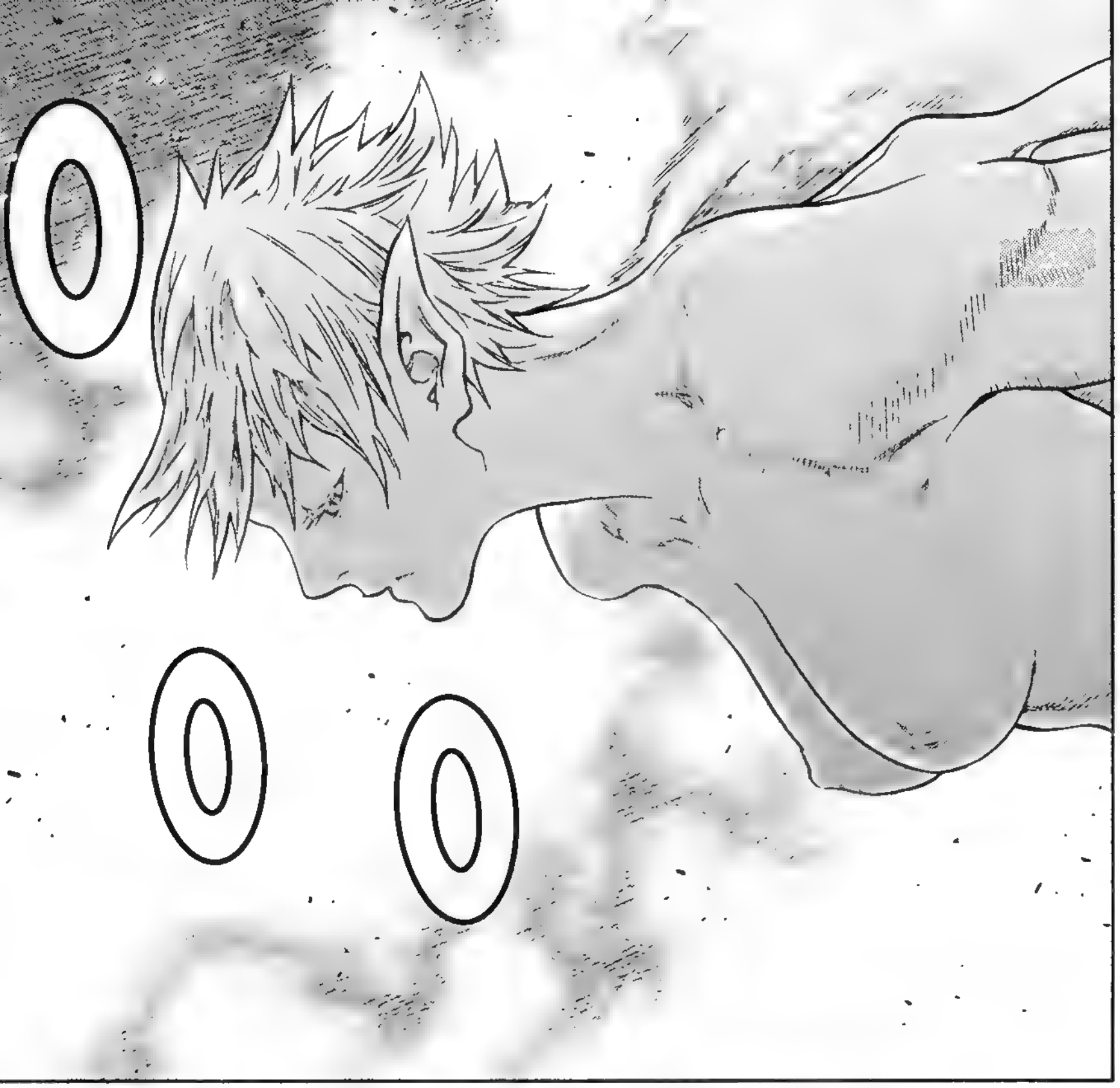
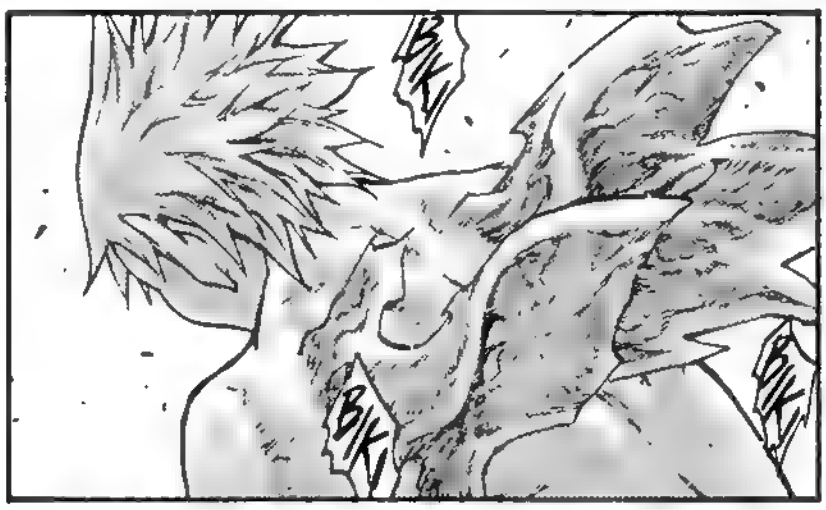
IS THAT WHAT YOUR FACE LOOKED LIKE?

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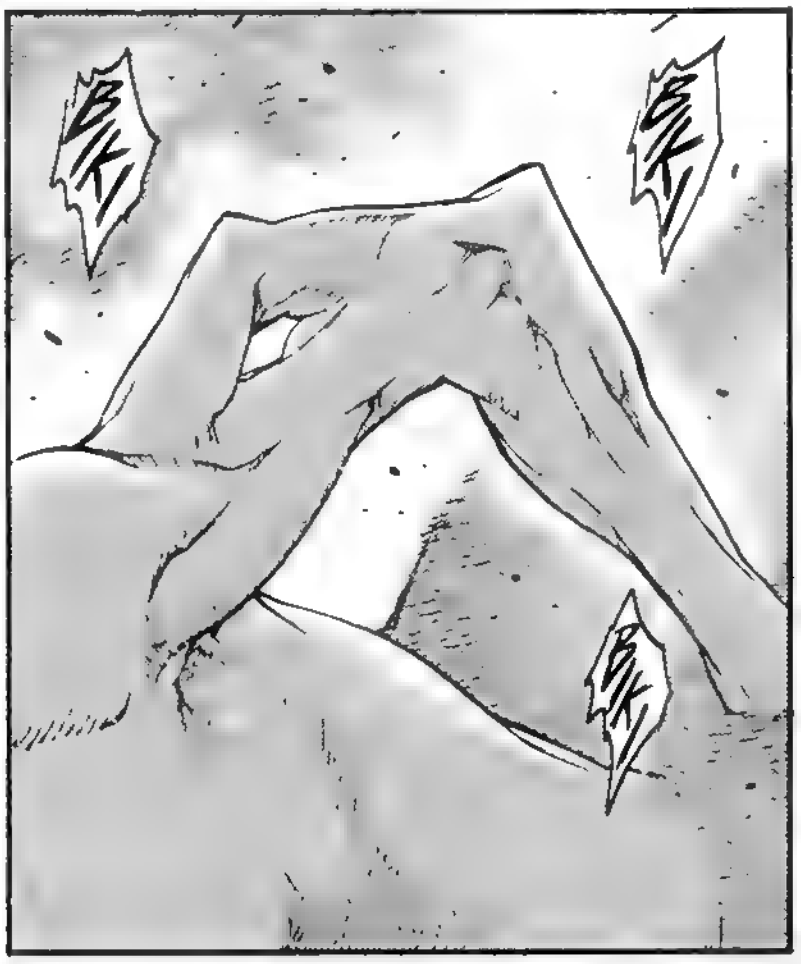
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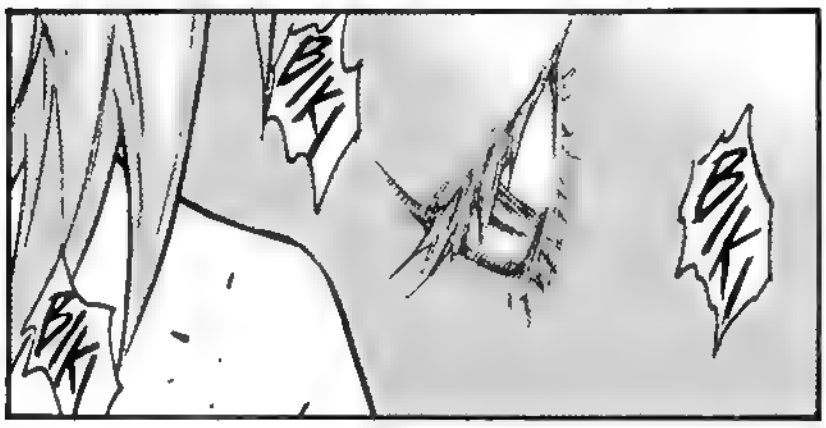
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SHE DOESN'T LOOK AFFECTED ...

...BUT SHE IS.

OH HO!

STAGGER

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GET AS FAR AWAY AS YOU CAN!

EVERY-ONE, RUN!

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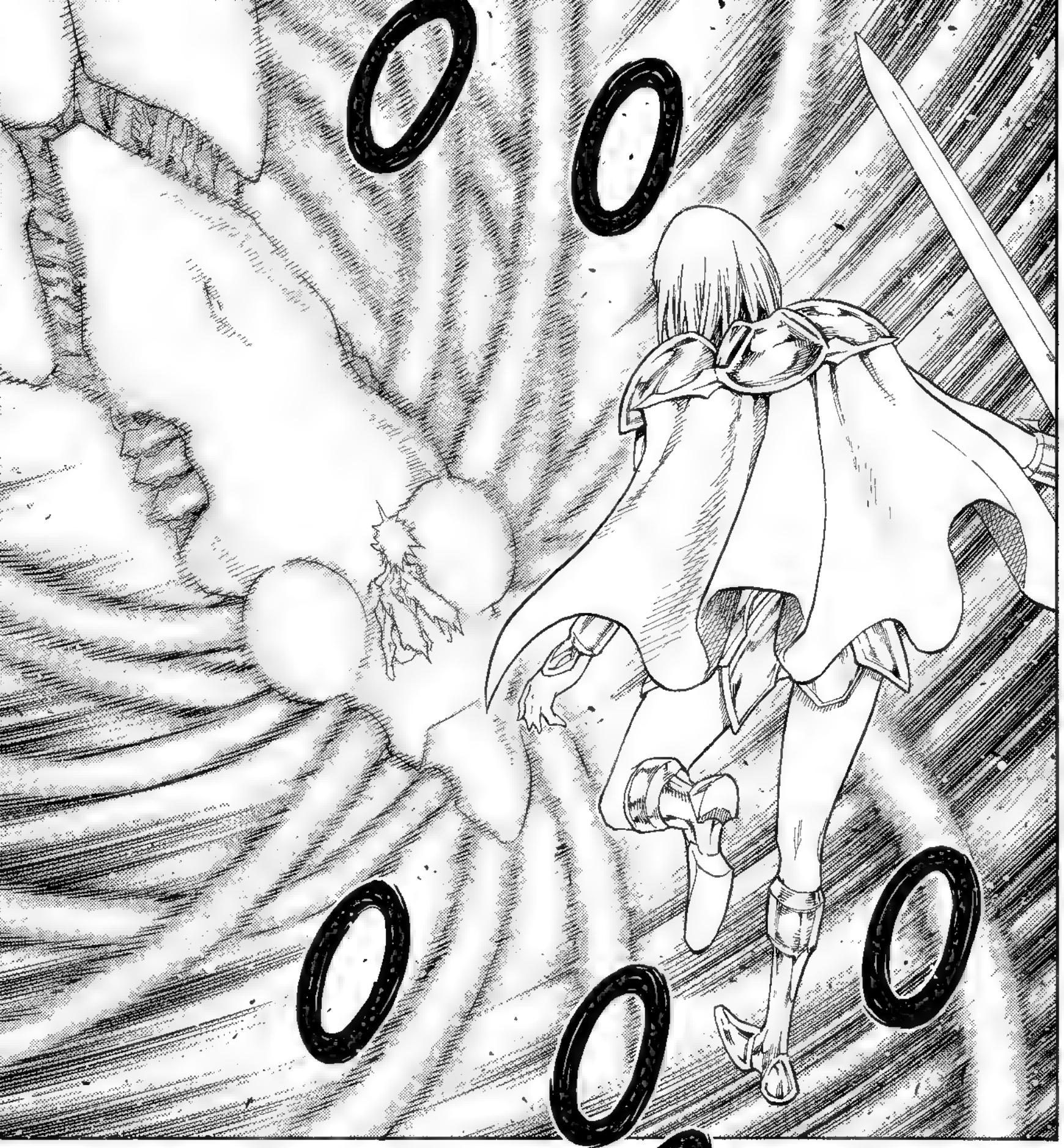

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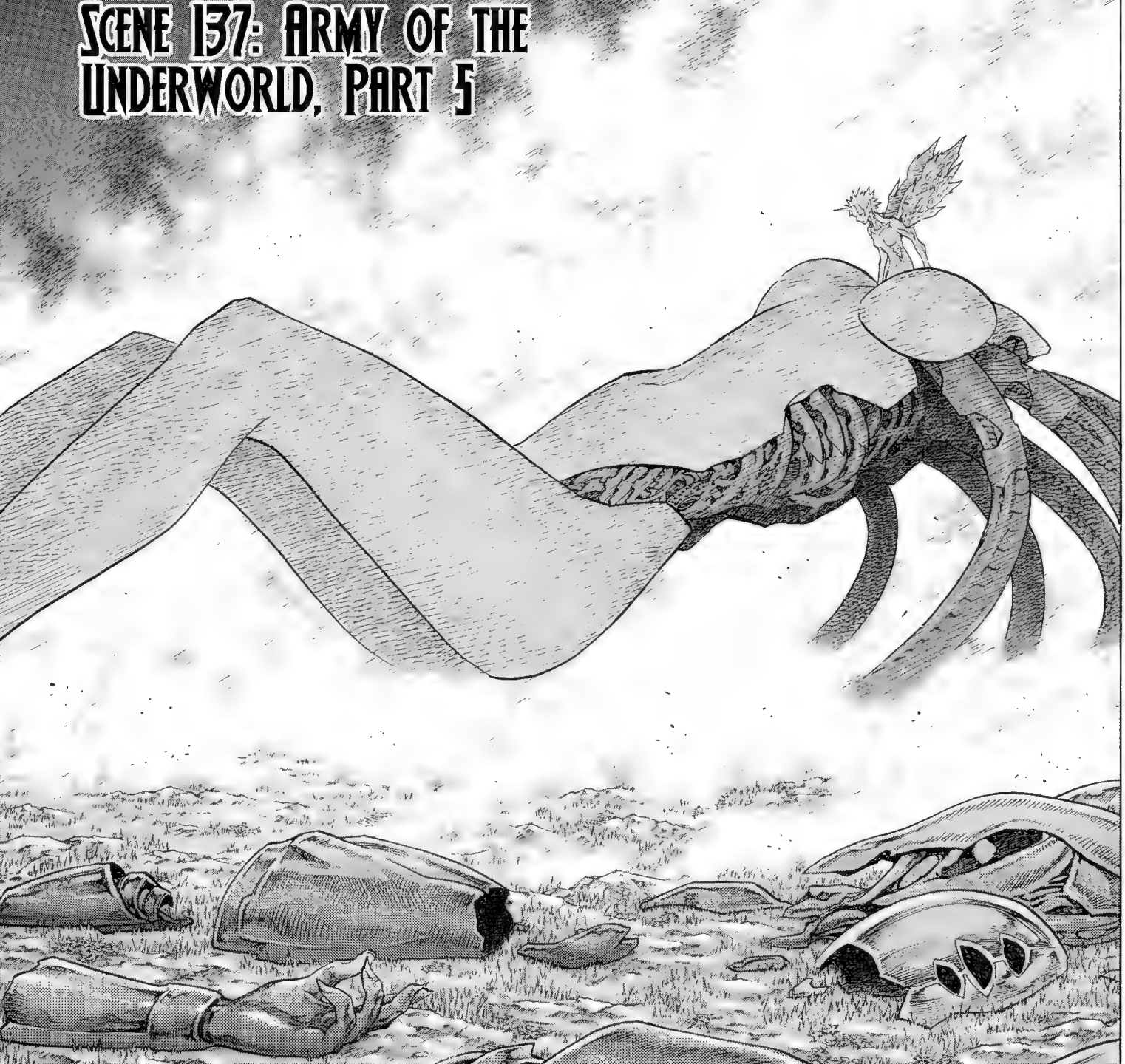

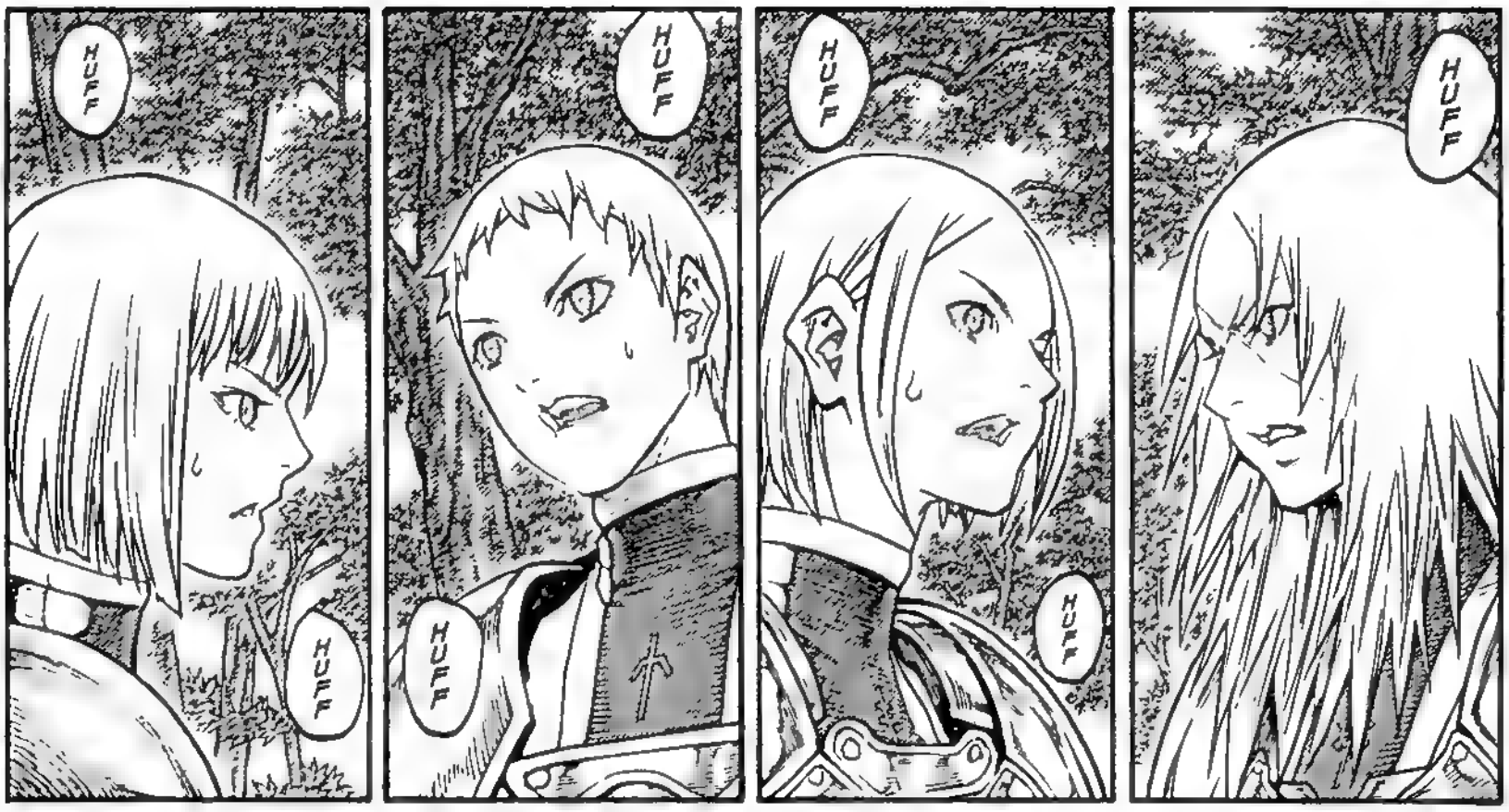
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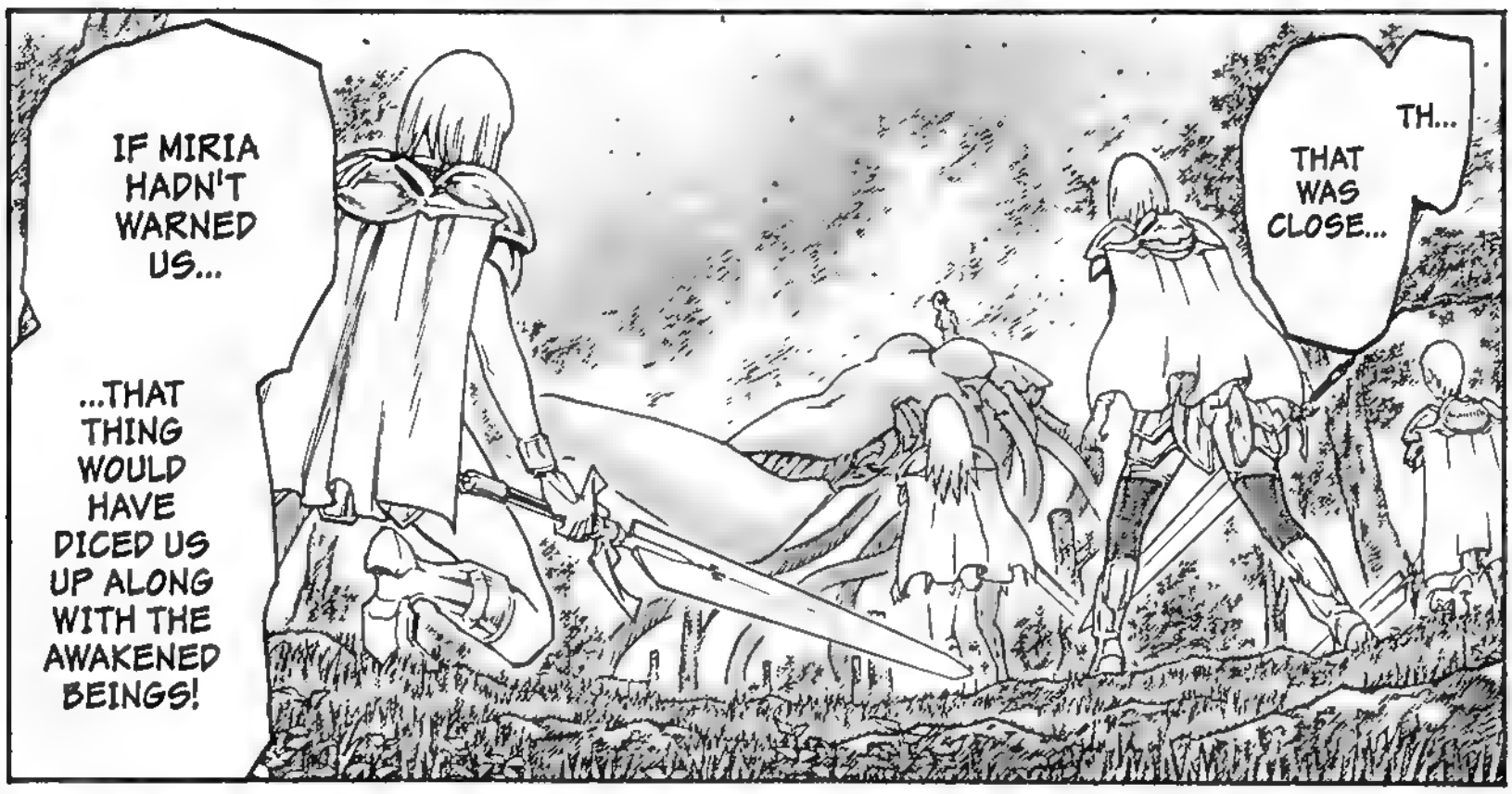
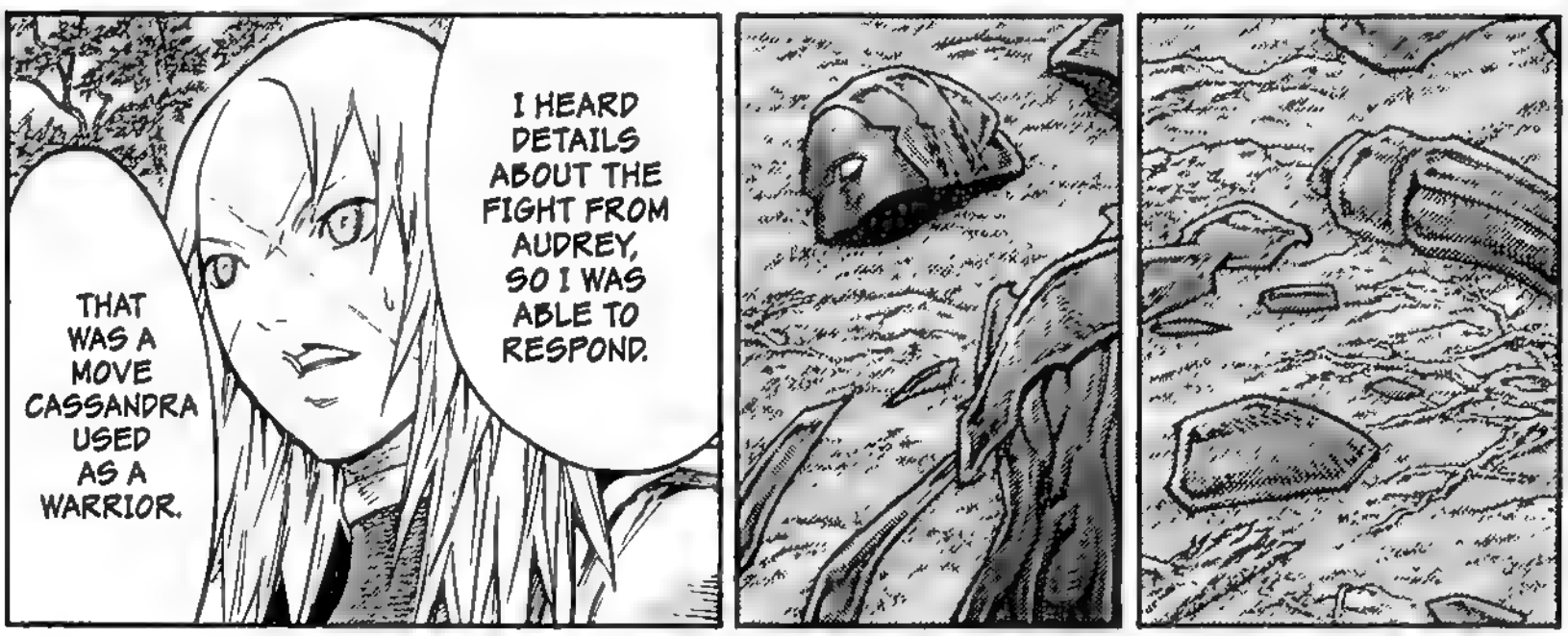
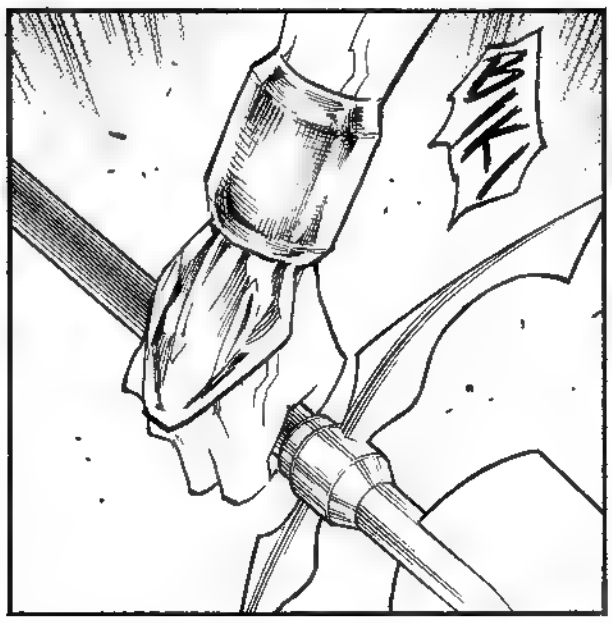
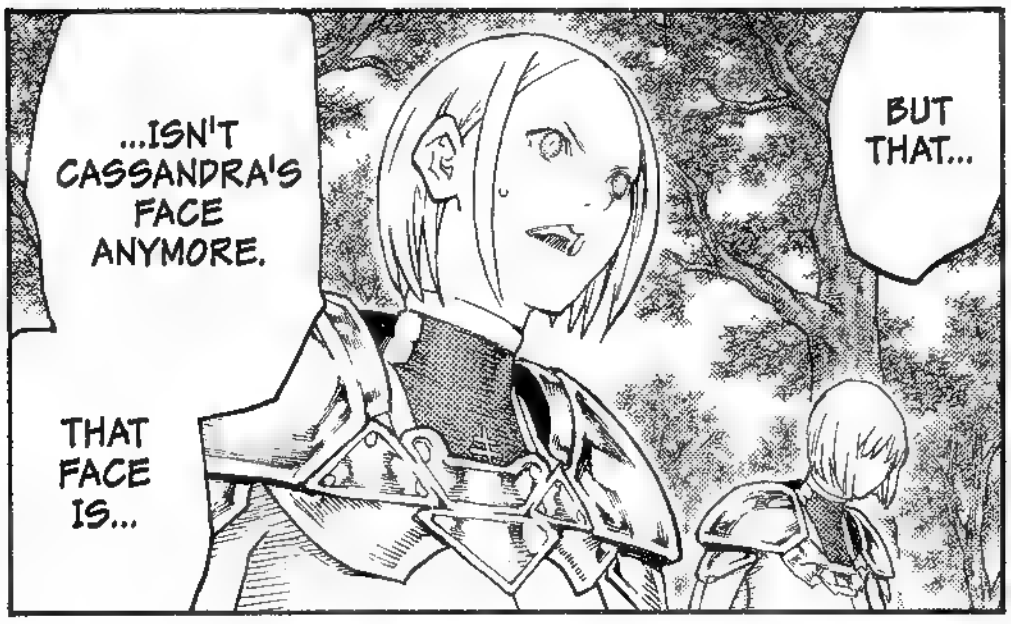
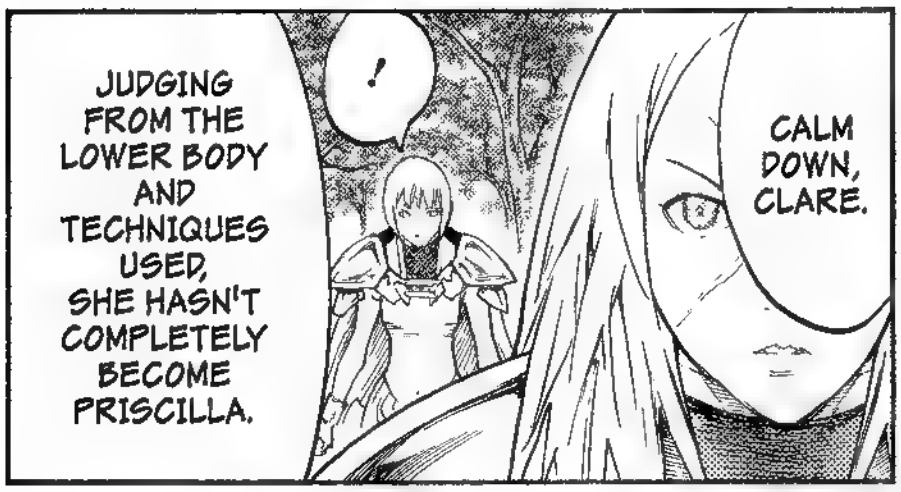

IF MIRIA HADN'T WARNED US...
...THAT THING WOULD HAVE DICED US UP ALONG WITH THE AWAKENED BEINGS!
TH... THAT WAS CLOSE...

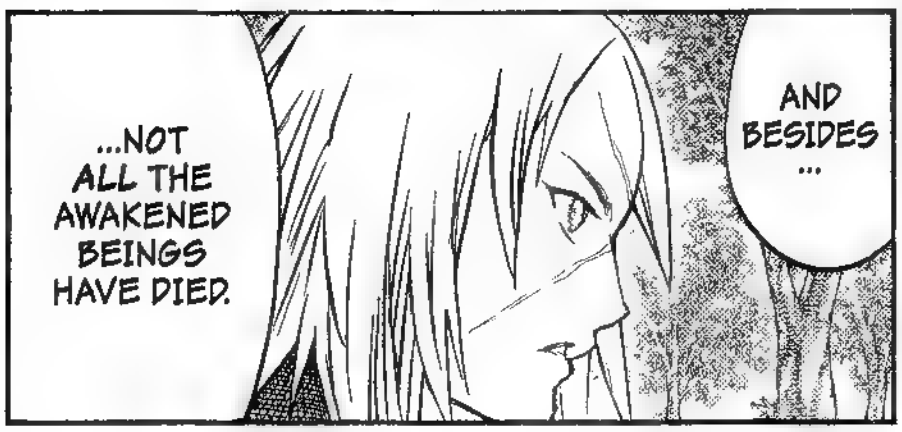

I HEARD DETAILS ABOUT THE FIGHT FROM AUDREY, SO I WAS ABLE TO RESPOND.
THAT WAS A MOVE CASSANDRA USED AS A WARRIOR.

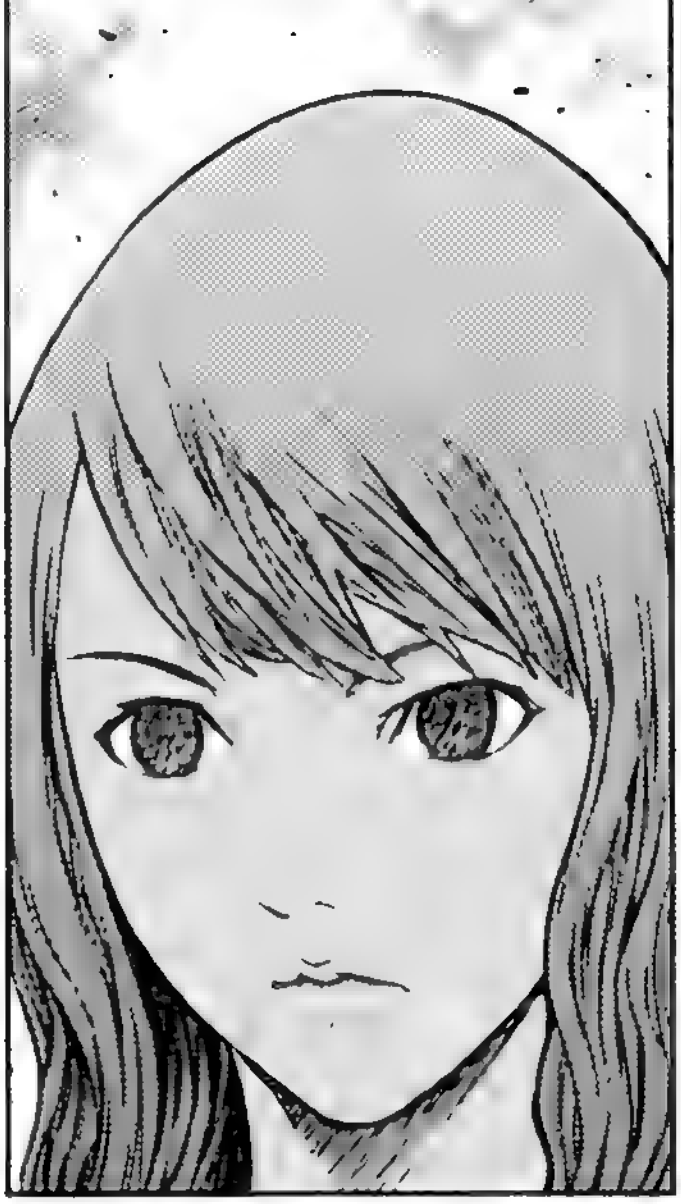
READ THIS WAY

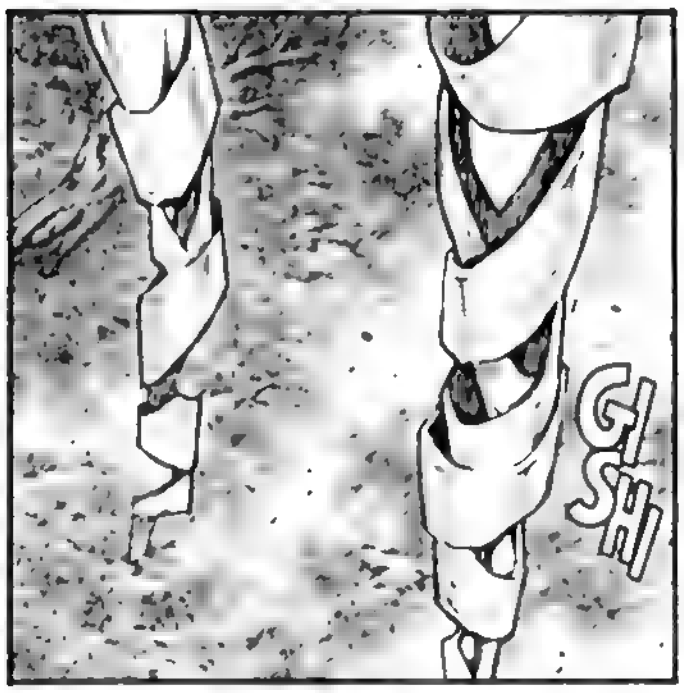








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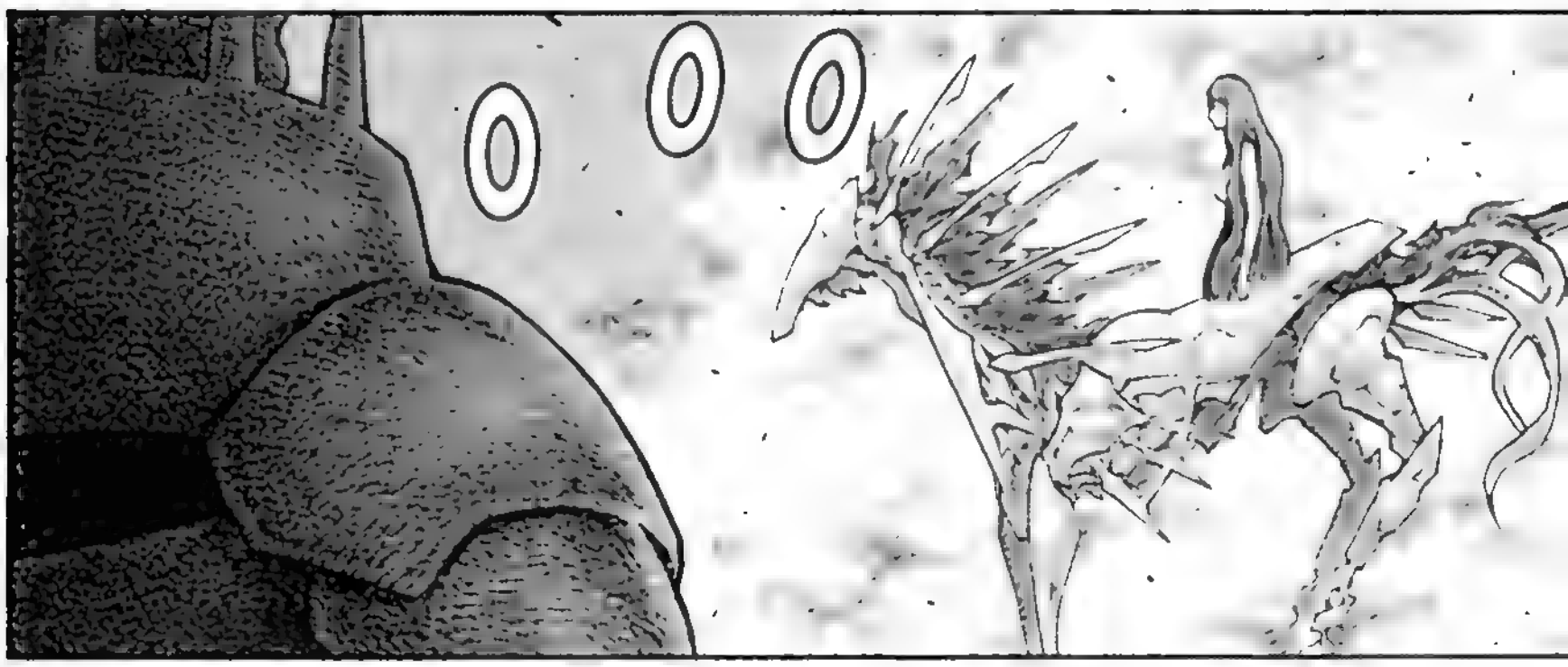

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...ARE TWO OUT OF SEVEN?

ALL THAT'S LEFT...

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NO, THREE.

...BUT I GUESS THAT WON'T HAPPEN.

WE WERE JUST GOING TO WATCH AND THEN MAKE OFF AS VICTORS...

!!

YOU.

HER SPECIALTY IS PLAYING DEAD.

HER NAME IS EUROPA.

HEH!

HUH?

READ THIS WAY

THIS IS SUCH A PAIN...

BAKI

WITH YOUR NUMBERS, I THOUGHT YOU COULD EASILY FINISH THIS...

BAKI

BAKI

IF NOT FOR HER PERSONALITY, SHE COULD'VE AIMED TO BE NUMBER I.

AS HER NAME SUGGESTS, SHE GOT TIRED OF FIGHTING AND PLAYED DEAD.

EUROPA THE LAZY.

WHAT THE ...?

!!

BAKI

...SHE WAS THE CLOSEST TO AN ABYSSAL ONE.

OF ALL THE AWAKENED BEINGS HERE...

IF YOU PROMISE ...
...TO ARRAY THE INNARDS OF EVERYONE IN THE HOLY CITY IN FRONT OF ME AFTER I BEAT THAT THING...
...I'LL THINK ABOUT HELPING YOU.
BAKI
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BAKI
BAKI

HUH...

SORRY ...

...BUT I CAN'T PROMISE THAT.

HEH...

HEH...

HEH ...

...IT'LL BE HARDER FOR YOU TO FIND FOOD.

BUT IF WE LET THAT THING RUN FREE...

READ THIS WAY

GASHI

I'LL GO ALONG WITH YOU FOR NOW...

...SINCE I WENT TO ALL THE TROUBLE OF TRANSFORMING.

OH WELL.

YOU'RE AS NUTS AS EVER.

HEH.

BIKI

IF I'M GONNA DO THIS, LET'S FINISH IT *FAST*.

I GET HUNGRY QUICKLY IN THIS FORM.

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LET'S COMPLETELY CRUSH THAT RAMPANT ABYSSAL ONE!

WHY LIMIT OURSELVES TO STOPPING ITS ADVANCE?

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THOSE ARE
...THE AWAKENED FORMS OF CHRONOS AND LARS...
THE LAST MALE WARRIORS!
UNGH ...
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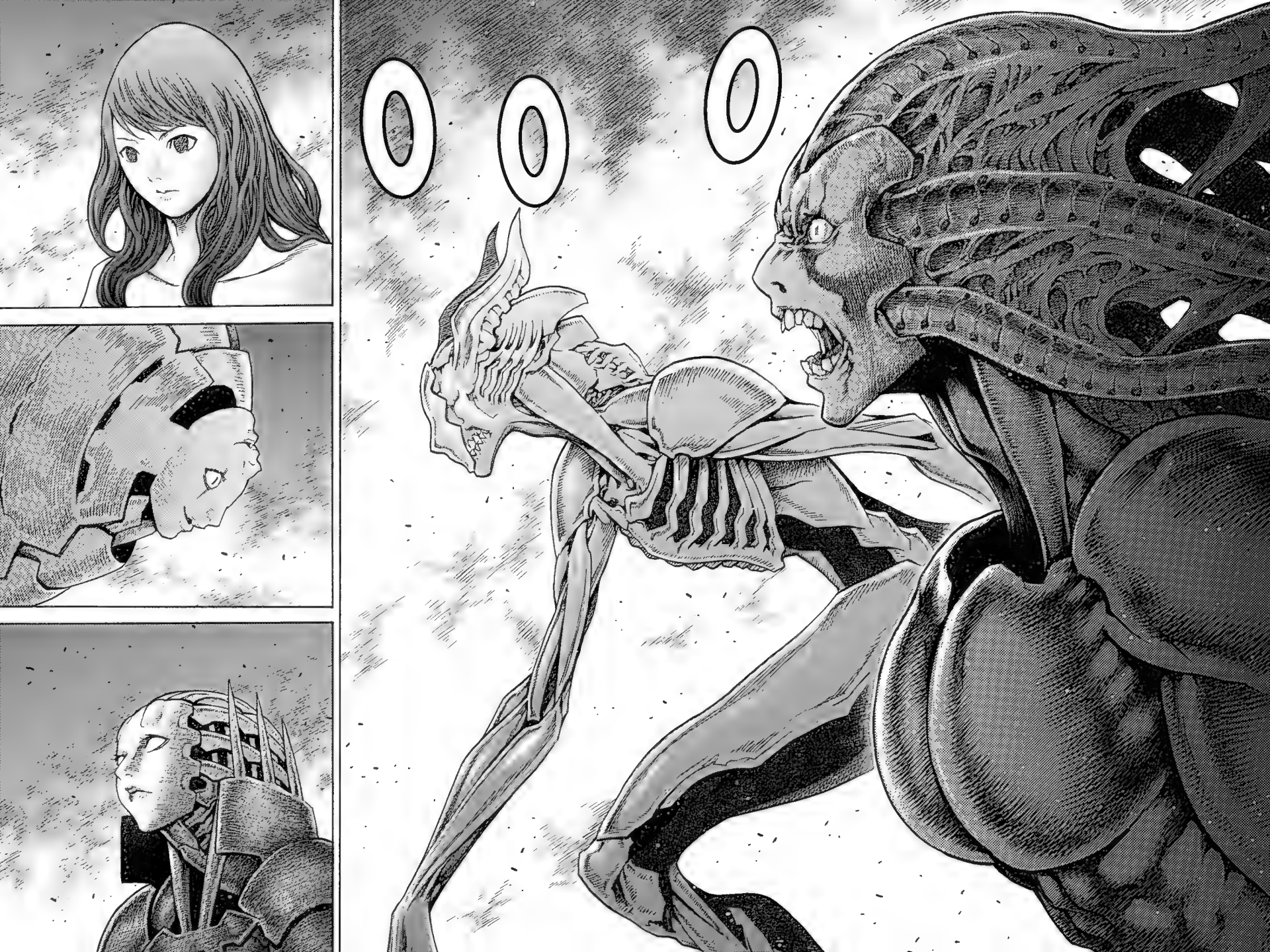

BUT ASIDE FROM THE ABYSSAL ONES...

...THEY ARE THE FIVE MOST POWERFUL REMAINING IN THIS LAND.

THERE WERE SO MANY AWAKENED BEINGS...

...YET ONLY FIVE ARE LEFT.

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...USE THE SAME MOVE TWICE.

I WON'T LET YOU...

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CLARE!

MIRIA!

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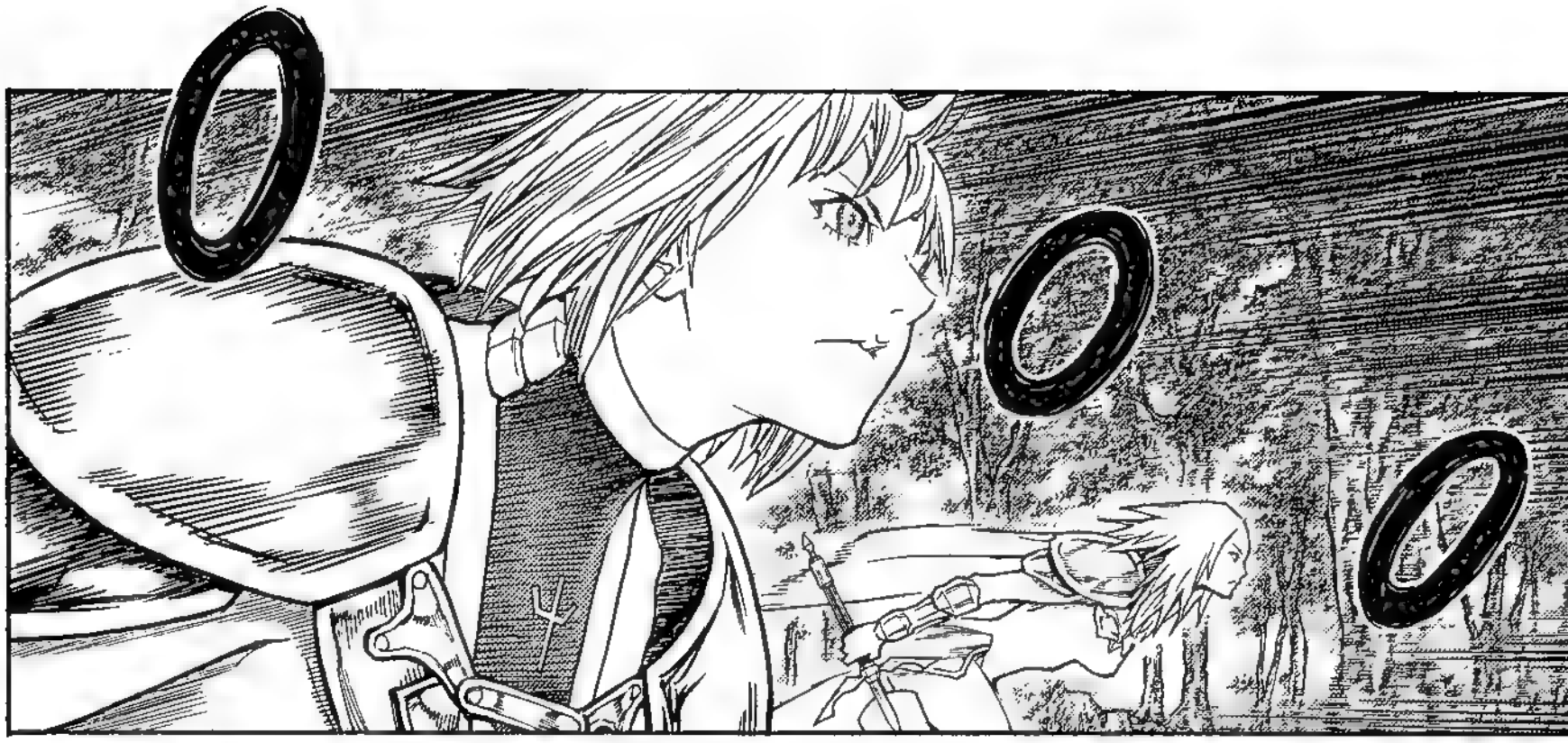

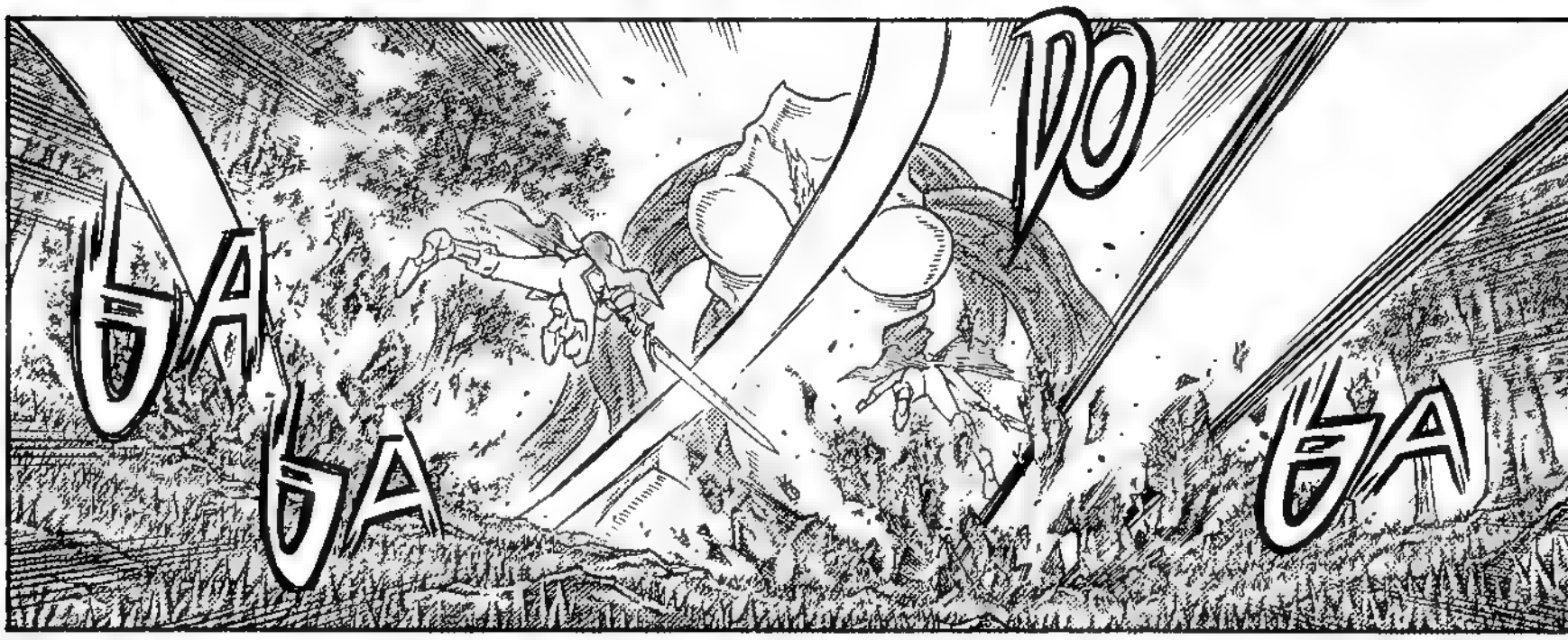
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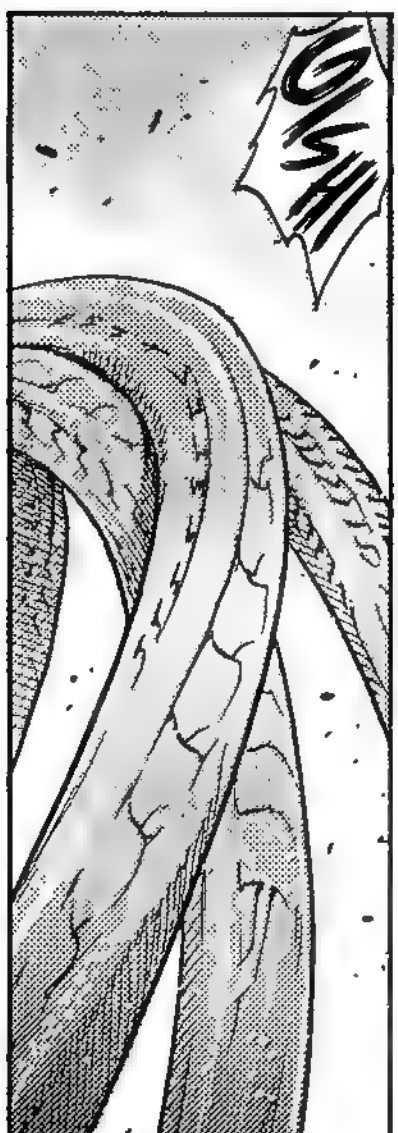
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CLARE!

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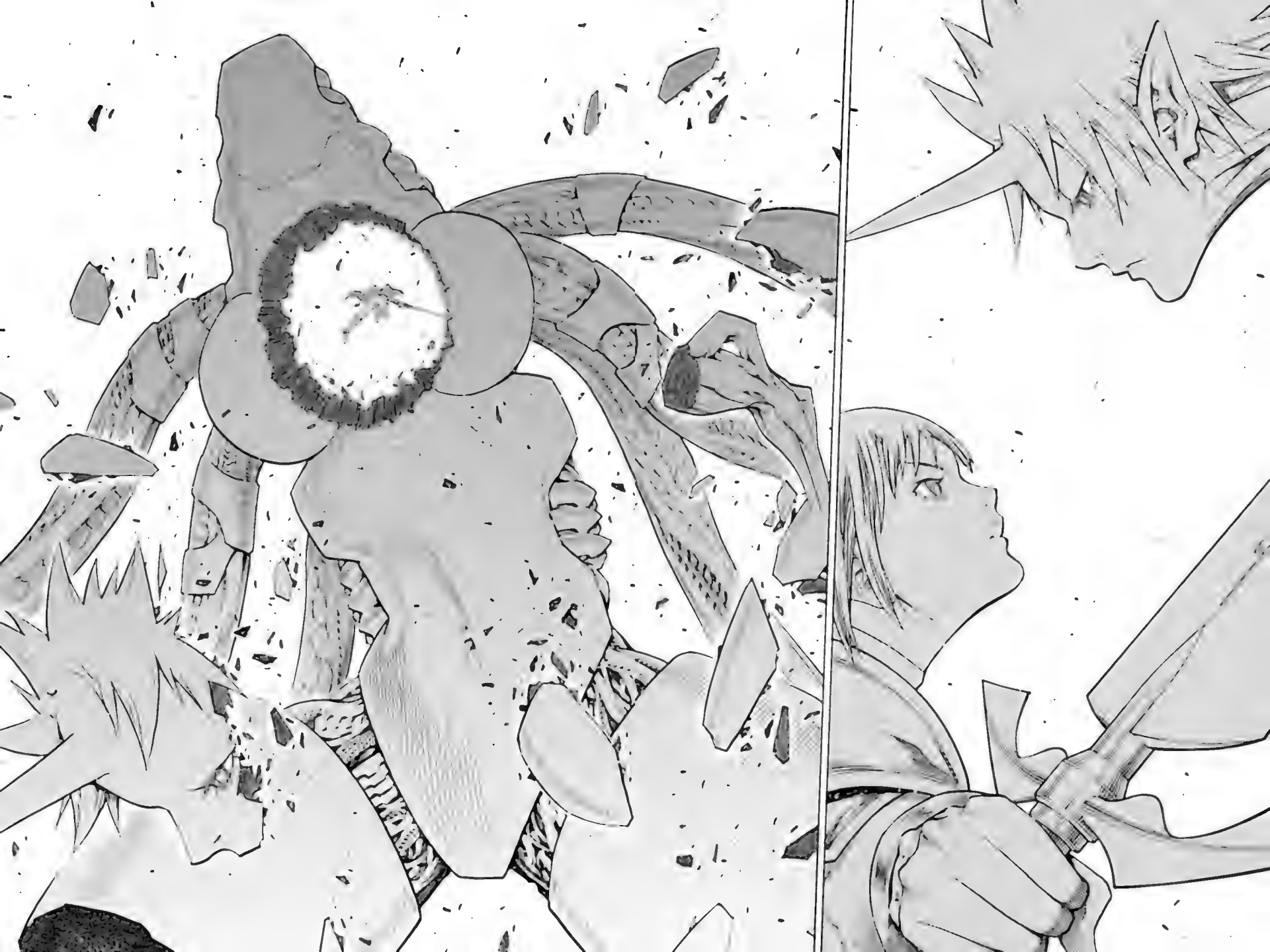
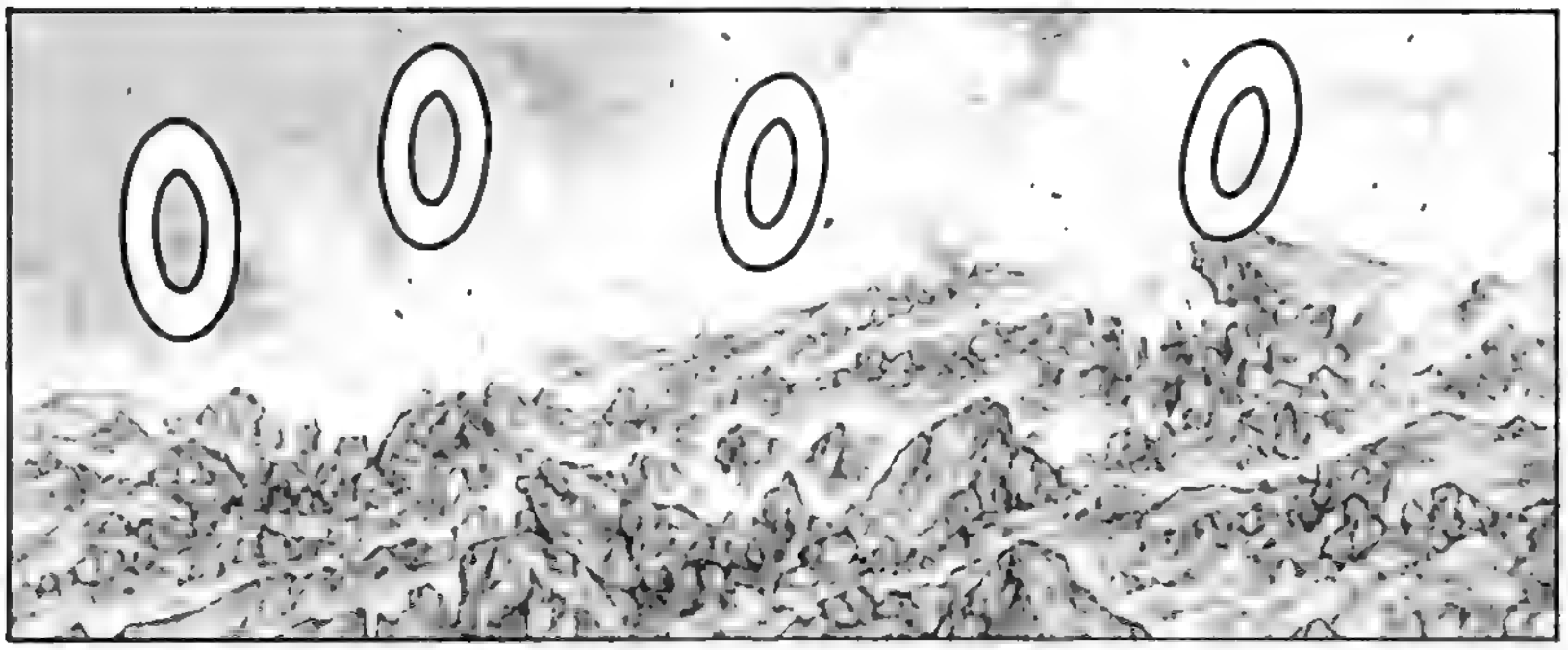
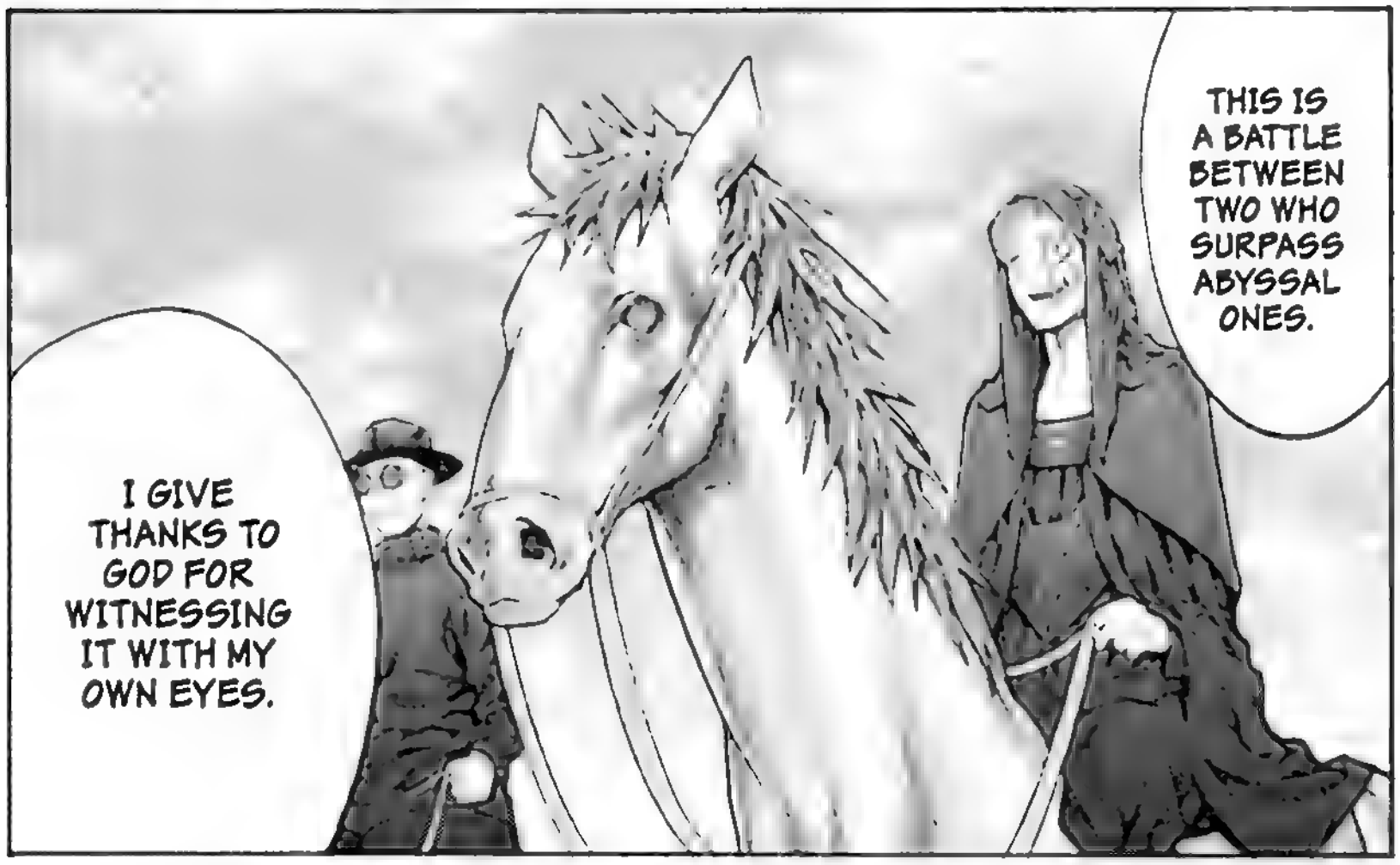
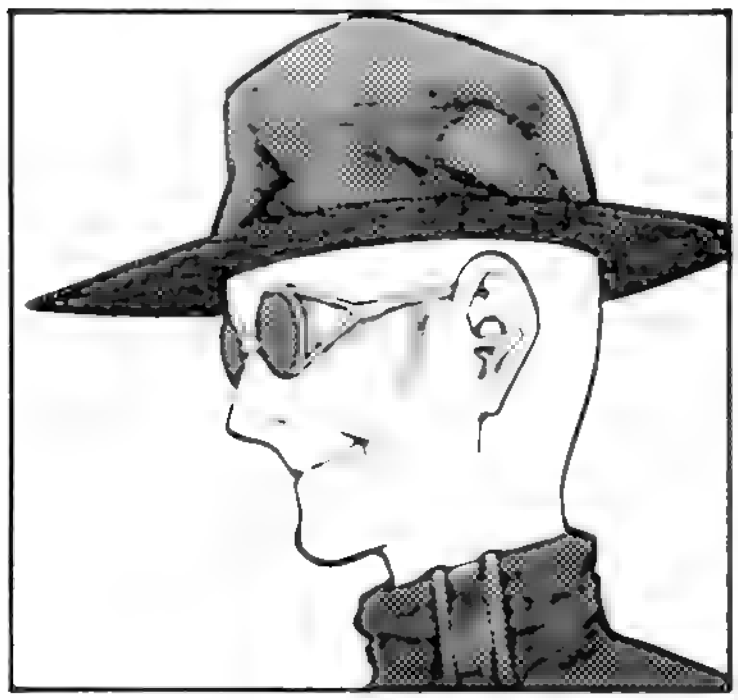
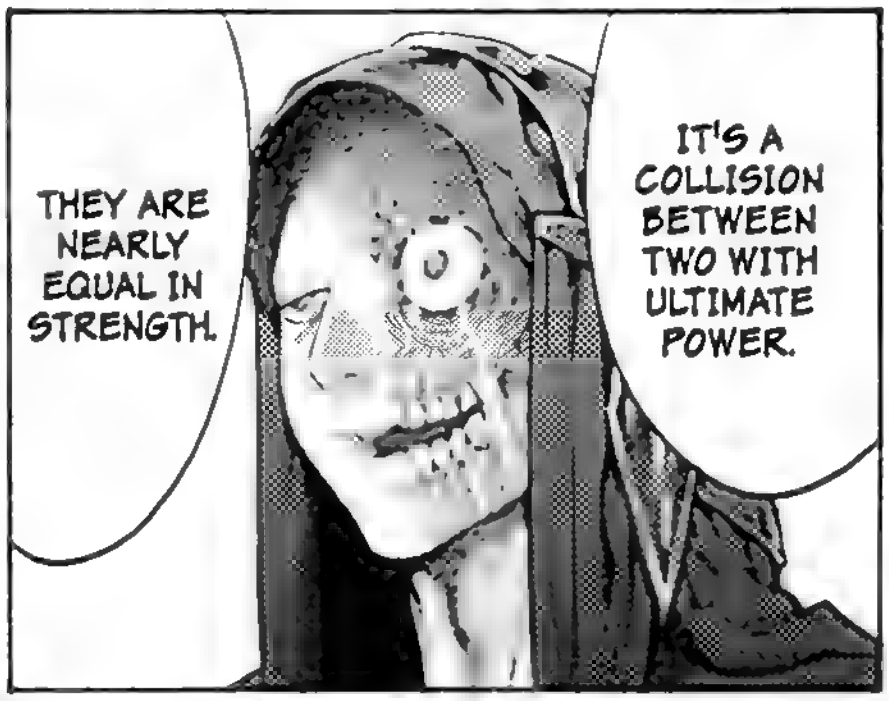
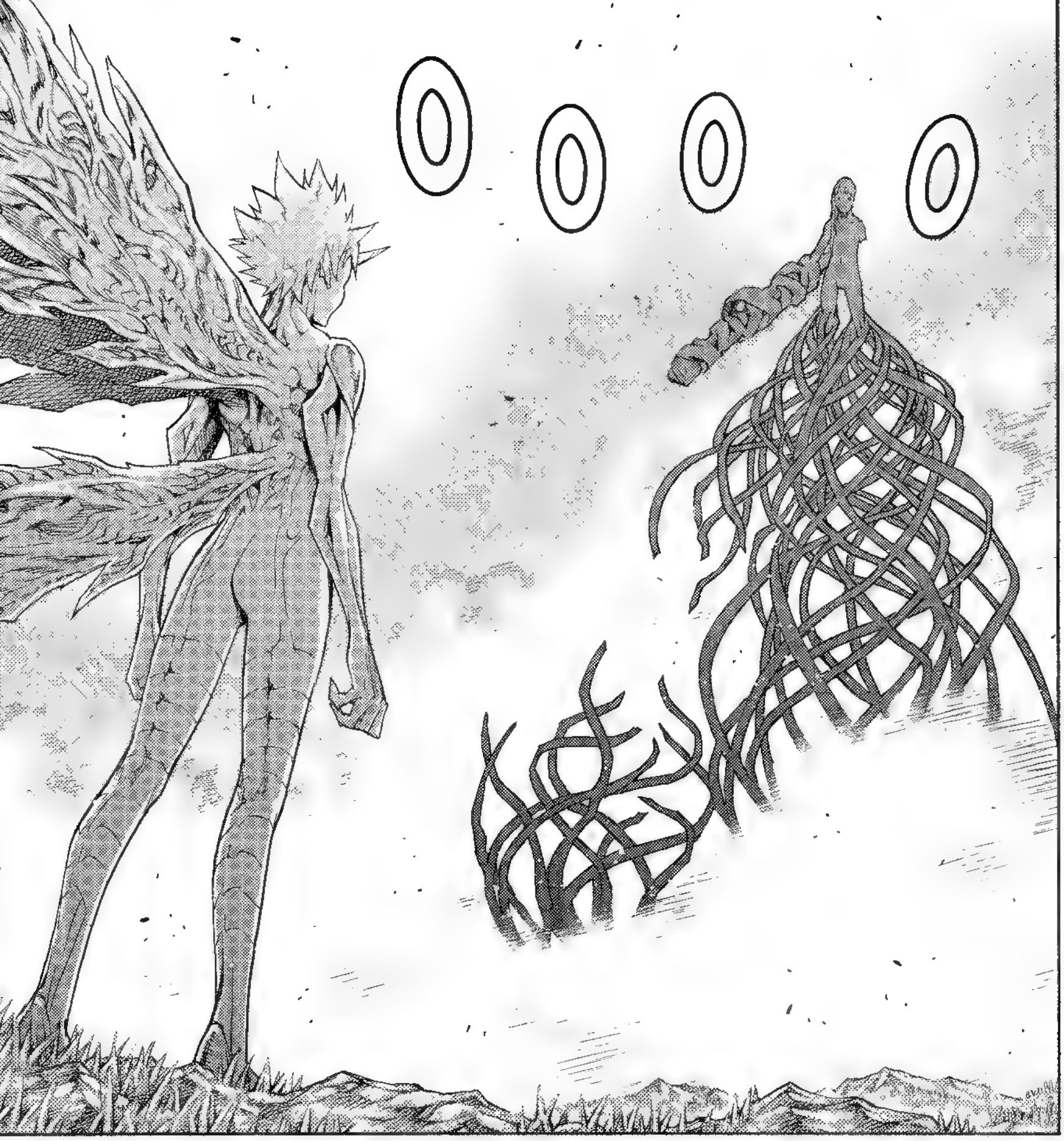





I GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR WITNESSING IT WITH MY OWN EYES.
THIS IS A BATTLE BETWEEN TWO WHO SURPASS ABYSSAL ONES.




THEY ARE NEARLY EQUAL IN STRENGTH.
IT'S A COLLISION BETWEEN TWO WITH ULTIMATE POWER.



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THE DIFFERENCE IN THEIR FUNDAMENTAL ORIGINS WILL OPEN A WIDER GAP AS THE FIGHT DRAGS ON.

IT'S TOO BAD THEIR FOUNDATIONS ARE SO DIFFERENT.

THE OTHER IS A VIOLENT FIRE, CONSUMING MASSIVE AMOUNTS OF FUEL TO KEEP BURNING ON THE EARTH'S SURFACE.

THE MOUNTAIN ITSELF HOLDS BACK AN INFINITELY OVERFLOWING INFERNO.

PRISCILLA IS LIKE AN ACTIVE VOLCANO.

...YOU CAN SEE THE END COMING?

SO NO MATTER HOW VALIANT THE FIGHT...

...WHEN THE FUEL IS USED UP, THE SURFACE FIRE WILL BURN OUT.

EVEN IF THE STRENGTH OF THEIR TWO FLAMES IS EQUAL...

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...SHALL I TELL *YOU* SOMETHING INTER-ESTING?

AS THANKS FOR ALL YOU HAVE TOLD ME...

...INTER-ESTING?

SOME-THING...

...INVOLVING LOVED ONES VIOLATED BY YOMA.

YOU ATTEMPTED TO EMBED THE FLESH OF YOUNG GIRLS' RELATIVES INTO THEIR BODIES AND MAKE THEM WARRIORS.

IT'S ABOUT THE EXPERI-MENTS YOU ONCE CARRIED OUT...

OH, THAT?

I DID THAT TO SEVERAL OF THEM...

...BUT ACHIEVED NO VIABLE RESULTS, SO I ABANDONED THE EFFORT.

ACTU-ALLY...

...THAT BORE FRUIT.

READ THIS WAY

...BUT THEY WERE APPARENT OVER TEN YEARS LATER, AT THE SCENE OF A BATTLE.

INDEED, THERE WERE NO RESULTS THAT YOU COULD SEE AT THE TIME...

WHAT?

...HALF-AWAKENING.

SOME WARRIORS HAVE CALLED IT...